

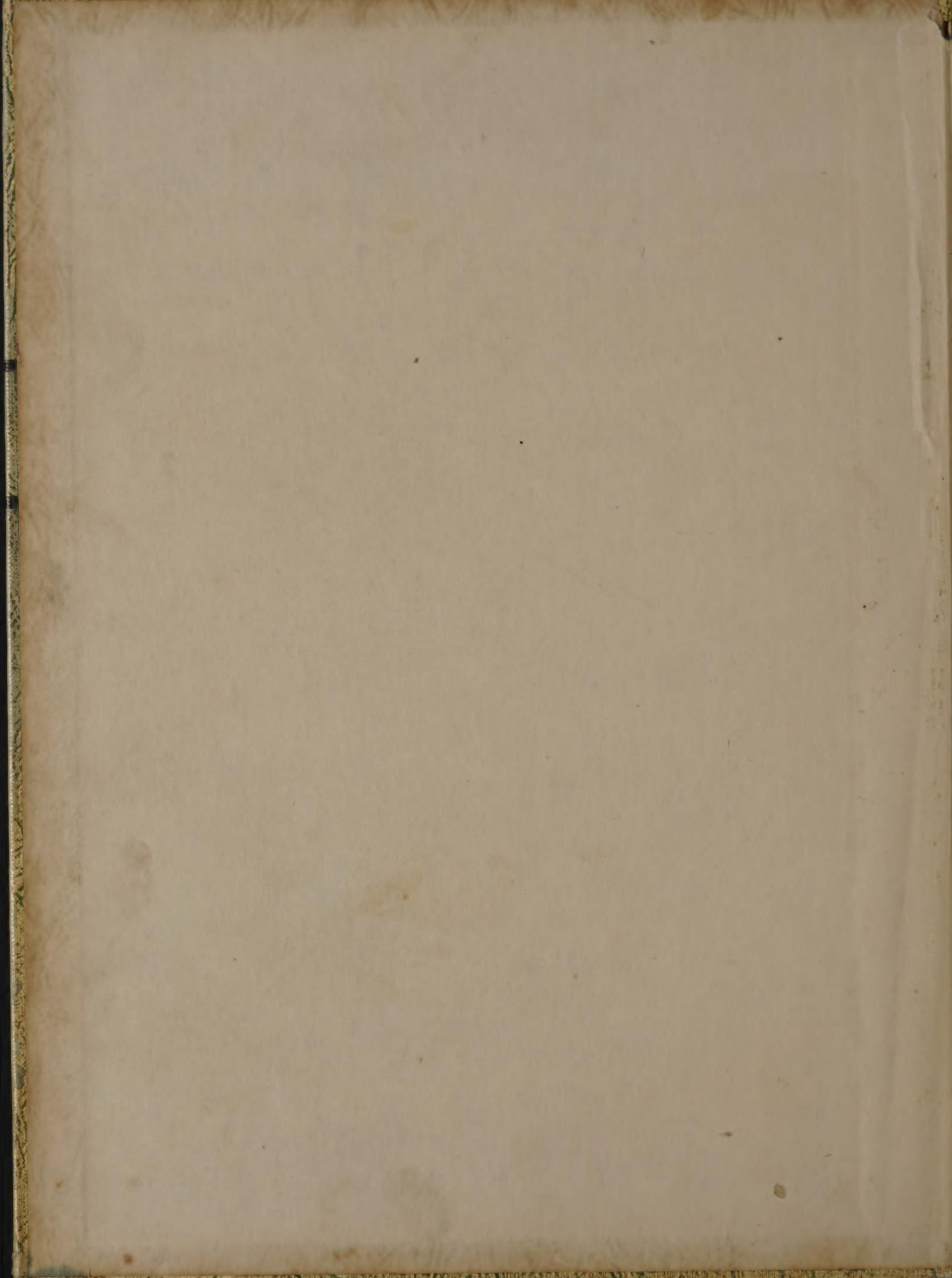
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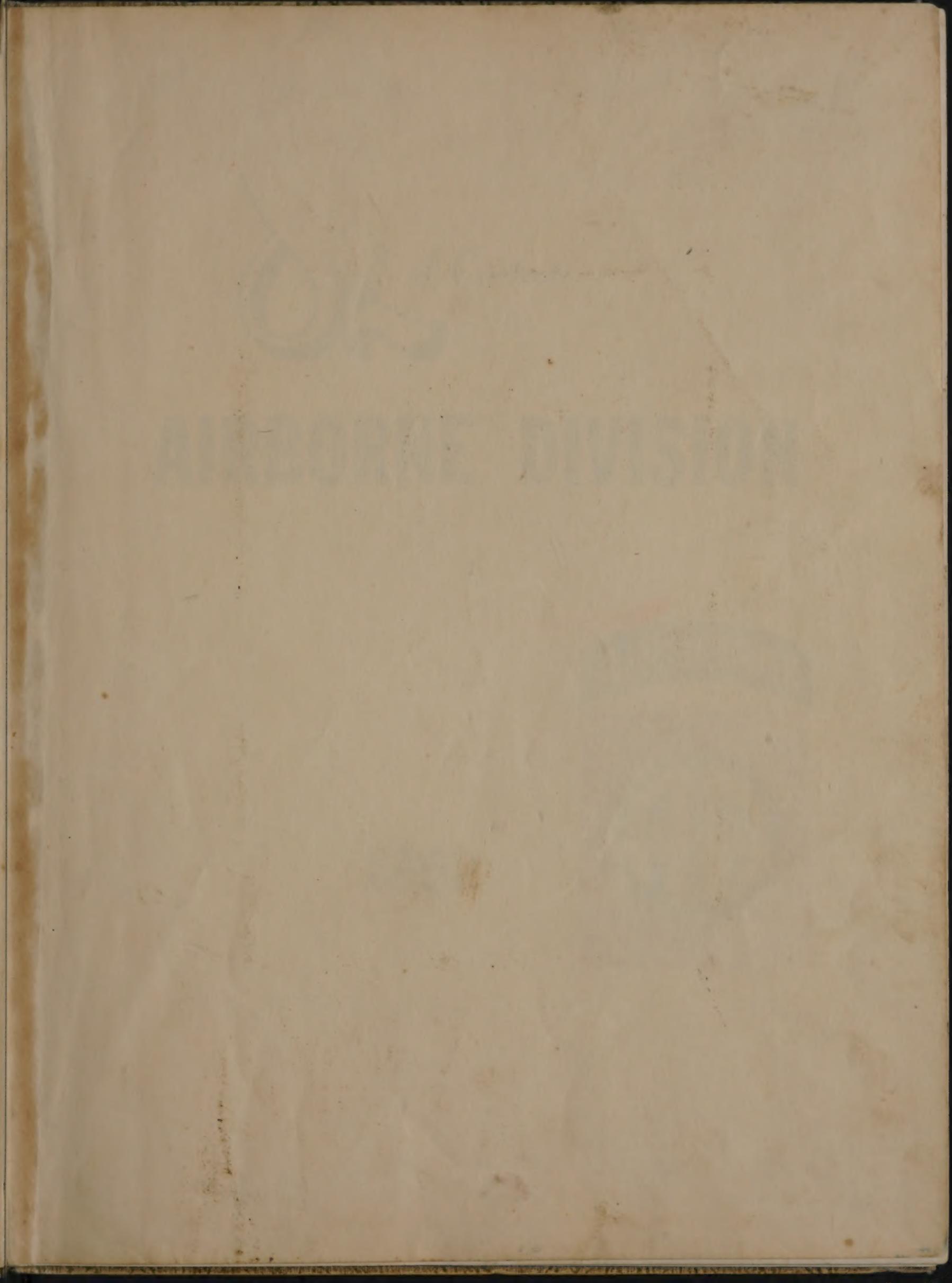
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325th AIRBORNE
INFANTRY REGIMENT







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To the All-American Soldiers of years gone by, who set the traditions by which we live today. The division dips its colors in salute to the men who died on battlefields from the Argonne to Berlin, and in the peacetime training years that followed. Ours is the duty and the privilege to keep alive the spirit of the 82d, against the day this nation may call again upon the division to fight as it did in two world wars before.



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Major General Charles D. W. Canham received a battlefield promotion to Brigadier General for his action in leading the 116th Infantry across to Omaha Beach in the Normandy Invasion. He was wounded in this action. Subsequent to his promotion he was assigned to the 8th Infantry Division as Assistant Division Commander.

He fought with the 8th Infantry Division throughout the Brittany, Luxembourg and Hurtgen Forest operations and was serving in this same capacity when his division contacted the Russian forces east of the Schwerin Sea in Northern Germany prior to V-E Day.

Soon after his return to the U. S. he qualified as a parachutist at the Parachute School and in 1946 was assigned to the 82d Airborne Division as Assistant Division Commander.

After nearly three years' service with the 82d, he left to assume command of the Bremerhaven Port of Embarkation, Germany. Later he was assigned as Director of Military Posts of the European Command. During that tour of duty he received his promotion to Major General.

In February, 1952, he returned to the 82d Airborne Division as Commanding General. He took command of the division just five days before its departure for Exercise Long Horn, and commanded during the maneuver and while in convoy to Texas and back — the largest peacetime overland motor movement of troops in the history of the U. S. Army.

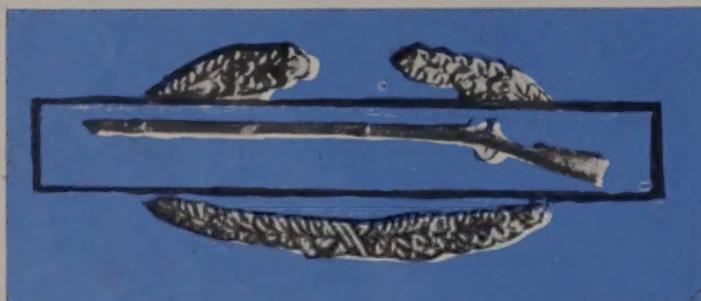


General Canham was born in Kola, Mississippi. He began his military career thirty-three years ago when he enlisted as a private in the Field Artillery.

He was appointed to the U. S. Military Academy in 1921 and was commissioned a Second Lieutenant of Infantry in 1926.

General Canham has three sons. Two are Army officers and one is a cadet at West Point. All are qualified parachutists.

General Canham has been awarded the Distinguished Service Cross, Silver Star, Legion of Merit, Bronze Star, Purple Heart, and the Combat Infantryman's Badge. He also wears the American Theater Ribbon, European Theater Ribbon with five campaign stars and the Invasion Arrowhead, the American Defense Medal and the Yangtse Medal. He has also been awarded the British Distinguished Service Order and the French Legion of Honor and Croix de Guerre with Palm.





MAJOR GENERAL CHARLES D. W. CANHAM
Commanding General, 82d Airborne Division





BRIGADIER GENERAL JOSEPH P. CLELAND
Assistant Division Commander

Brigadier General Joseph P. Cleland served as Assistant Division Commander of the 82d Airborne Division from September, 1951, until April, 1952, when he was ordered to the Far East Command.

He had served with the division previously, as commanding officer of the 504th Airborne Infantry Regiment, from June, 1950, immediately after he completed the Parachute School, until April, 1951.

In April, 1951, he activated and commanded the 508th Airborne Regimental Combat Team at Fort Bragg and subsequently moved to Fort Benning, Georgia, with his reactivated RCT.

General Cleland was born at Holdredge, Nebraska, in 1902. He graduated from the U. S. Military Academy and was commissioned a Second Lieutenant of Infantry in 1925.

About one year after the United States entered World War II, he became G4 of Headquarters, South Pacific. On January 15, 1943, he was sent to Guadalcanal as Supply Base Commanding Officer.

He became Chief of Staff of the 43d Division on November 12, 1943. Soon afterward he was given command of the division's 103rd Infantry Regiment. He led this regiment through the assault landing at Lingayen Gulf, Luzon, P. I.

General Cleland next became Assistant Division Commander of the 43d and served in that capacity until his return to the United States with the division in October, 1945.

General Cleland's decorations and awards include: the Silver Star, Legion of Merit, with Oak Leaf Cluster; Soldier's Medal, Bronze Star, with OLC; Combat Infantryman's Badge, Asiatic-Pacific Medal; American Campaign Medal; World War II Victory Medal; American Defense Medal; Occupation of Japan Medal; Philippine Liberation Medal; Al Merito Militar de Chile; Estrella de Oro de Chile, and Honorable Commander of the Military Division of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire.



COLONEL CHARLES W. G. RICH
Chief of Staff

Colonel Charles W. G. Rich qualified as a parachutist in April, 1943, and was immediately detailed to The Parachute School, Fort Benning, as S3 and later, as Executive Officer.

He activated the Second Parachute Training Regiment at Fort Benning in March, 1944, and commanded it until October, when he went to Europe as Airborne Advisor to the Sixth Army Group.

In January, 1945, Colonel Rich became Deputy Chief of Staff for the XXI Corps. He served in that post during the Corps advance throughout the Ardennes-Alsace and Rhineland campaigns to Berchtesgarten, which the Corps held when the war ended.

On his return to the United States, August, 1947, Colonel Rich attended the Armed Forces Staff College, at Norfolk, Virginia. When he completed the course he was assigned there as an instructor and later became Secretary of the college.

Colonel Rich returned to airborne duty with the 82d in July of 1950. His first assignment in the division was Executive Officer of the 325th Airborne Infantry Regiment.

He became G3 of the 82d a few months later, and soon afterward, in March, 1951, was named Chief of Staff of the Division. He held that post until his departure in August, 1952, for the Army War College.

Colonel Rich was born in Bandy, Virginia. He graduated from the U. S. Military Academy in 1935 and was commissioned a Second Lieutenant of Infantry.

As S2 of the 19th Infantry Regiment, in Hawaii, he saw the first Japanese bombs dropped on American forces. He became regimental S3 early in 1942, and, in September, was given command of the regiment's Second Battalion. He commanded the battalion until his return to the continental United States in March, 1943.

Colonel Rich holds the Silver Star, Legion of Merit, Bronze Star, French Legion of Honor, Polish Polonia Restituta medal, Belgian Military Cross, First Class; French Croix de Guerre with two palms, the American Defense Medal, World War II Victory Medal, Occupation of Germany medal, and the European, Pacific-Asiatic and American Theater Medals.



LT. COL. NICHOLAS E. SLOAN
Assistant Chief of Staff, G1
(Personnel)

MAJOR EARL R. SHORT
Assistant Chief of Staff, G2
(Intelligence)





LT. COL. JAMES M. SHEPHERD
Assistant Chief of Staff, G3
(Operations)



LT. COL. WILLIAM H. KING, JR.
Assistant Chief of Staff, G4
(Logistics)







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HIST



ARMY

The 82d Airborne Division

1917 - 1952

BATTLE HONORS

WORLD WAR I

Lorraine
St. Mihiel
Meuse Argonne

WORLD WAR II

Sicily
Naples-Foggia
Rome-Arno
Normandy
Holland
Ardennes
Rhineland
Central Europe

Sgt. Alvin C. York, of the 82d Division, was awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor for heroic action in the Argonne on October 8, 1918. On that day he attacked an entire German machine-gun battalion with only his rifle and an automatic pistol. He broke up the German counterattack, killed 20 Germans and captured 132 prisoners.

WORLD WAR I

The 82d Infantry Division was in the front line for a longer consecutive period than any other American division in World War I. The division was activated August 25, 1917, at Camp Gordon, Georgia. It sailed for France in April, 1918, and moved into the line on August 19, 1918. The division was credited with participation in the Lorraine, St. Mihiel and Meuse Argonne campaigns.

82d Division troops pass in review before King George V of England at Buckingham Palace, 1918.

ALVIN YORK

1918



82d Division troops advance with Bangalore torpedo under fire — France, 1918.



The 82d Division returned to the United States and was deactivated after World War I. The Division colors, with their Battle Streamers, were stored away during peace-time years, and were not unfurled again until the guns began to roar for a second World War.



82d Division troops in trenches — France, 1918.



Regimental bands play 82d Division troops off the ship on their return at the end of World War I.

WORLD WAR II

General Ridgway inspects training at Fort Bragg, N. C.

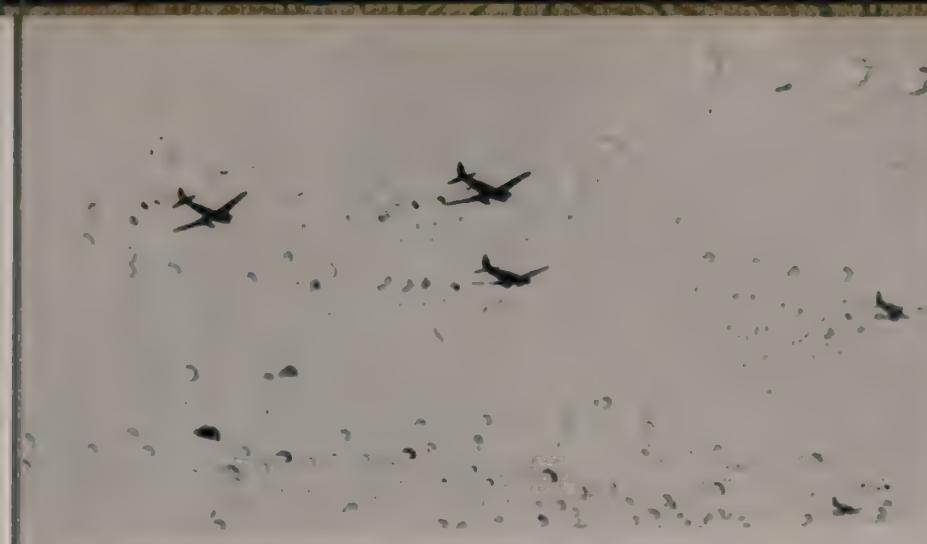


In April, 1943, the 82d Airborne Division moved to the port of embarkation and overseas.

On March 25, 1942, while the Germans held Europe and the Japanese held most of Asia, the 82d Division was reactivated at Camp Claiborne, Louisiana. Brigadier General Omar Bradley was division commander, and Brigadier General Matthew Ridgway was assistant division commander. The division soon moved to Fort Bragg, North Carolina, and there, on August 15, 1952, it designated the 82d Airborne Division — the first American Division to hold the Airborne Designation.

Parachute and tactical training continued in North Africa until the day of the Sicily invasion — the largest airborne operation ever attempted up to that time.





General Kurt Student, Chief of Staff of German Parachute Troops, said, "It is my opinion that if it had not been for the allied (82d) airborne forces blocking the Herman Goering Armored Division from reaching the Sicily beachhead, that Division would have driven the initial seaborne forces back into the sea."

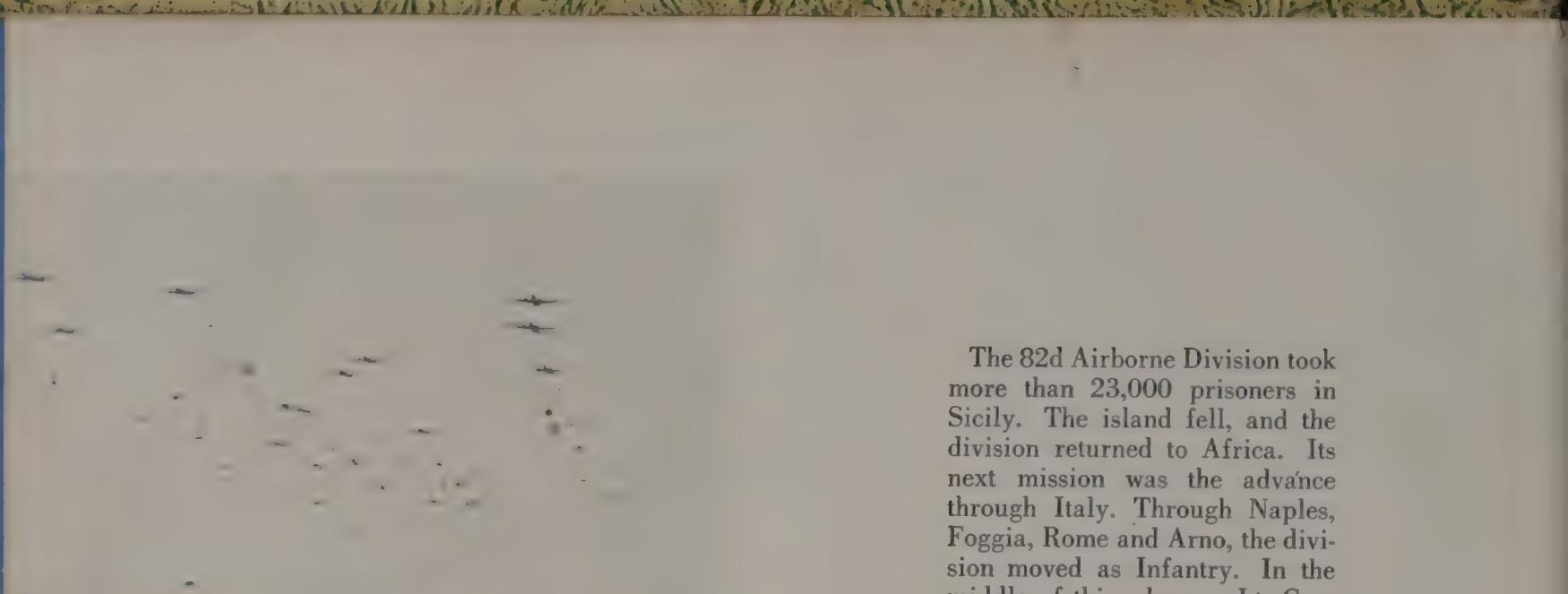
The parachute element of the Sicily invasion was made up of the 505th Parachute Infantry Regiment and the third battalion of the 504th. It jumped into Sicilian fields and olive groves early in the morning of July 10, 1943, under the command of Col. James M. Gavin. Winds were up to 35 miles per hour, few landed on their assigned drop zones, and some went out the door into the glare of German searchlights and clouds of flak-bursts.



The troopers formed up into such groups as they could — units of two to two hundred men — and moved forward through the olive groves and adobe villages. They blocked roads, held crossroads, and harassed the Germans wherever they found them.



General Ridgway talks over the situation with General Maxwell Taylor, Sicily, 1943.



The sky was filled with chutes, and the Salerno beachhead was saved. Soon after came Anzio.

"American parachutists — devils in baggy pants — are less than 100 meters from my outpost line. I can't sleep at night; they pop up from nowhere and we never know when or how they will strike next. Seems like the black-hearted devils are everywhere—" from the diary of a German officer who was in the line against the 504th PIR on the Anzio beachhead.

The 82d Airborne Division took more than 23,000 prisoners in Sicily. The island fell, and the division returned to Africa. Its next mission was the advance through Italy. Through Naples, Foggia, Rome and Arno, the division moved as Infantry. In the middle of this advance, Lt. General Mark Clark, commanding the forces on the Salerno beachhead, sent out an urgent call for airborne assistance. Exactly eight hours later, the 504th Parachute Infantry Regiment dropped behind German lines to break up the German counterattack against the beachhead. The 505th PIR followed the next day. The beachhead was saved.

After Anzio the 82d Airborne Division sailed back to the United Kingdom to wait for their next mission — spearheading the invasion of Fortress Europa, the first troops to hit Normandy.



Troopers loaded into their C-47s for the Normandy Jump, June 6, 1944. The 82nd Airborne Division landed and took St. Mere Eglise, the first town to be liberated on the Western front. The town was secured several hours before the beach landings.

The 82d Airborne Division fought for 33 days in Normandy. The division mauled five different enemy divisions, the 91st, 243rd, 77th, 265th and 353rd. The 91st and 265th were practically destroyed as fighting units. Soldiers of the 82d knocked out 62 German tanks and destroyed 44 anti-tank and artillery guns during the 33 days. Then the 82d was pulled out of the line and sent back to England to await its next airborne mission.



Then came the fighting through the Normandy hedgerows.



Paratroopers of the 82d advance on a German strong point — Normandy, June, 1944.

For its part in the Normandy Invasion, the 82d Airborne Division was awarded the Fourraguerre de Croix de Guerre by the French Government.

General Gavin briefed his staff for the attack on Nijmegen, Holland, to seize the vital Nijmegen bridge and hold it for an allied invasion of Germany through the Netherlands.





Troopers loaded into the C-47s again for the Holland drop.



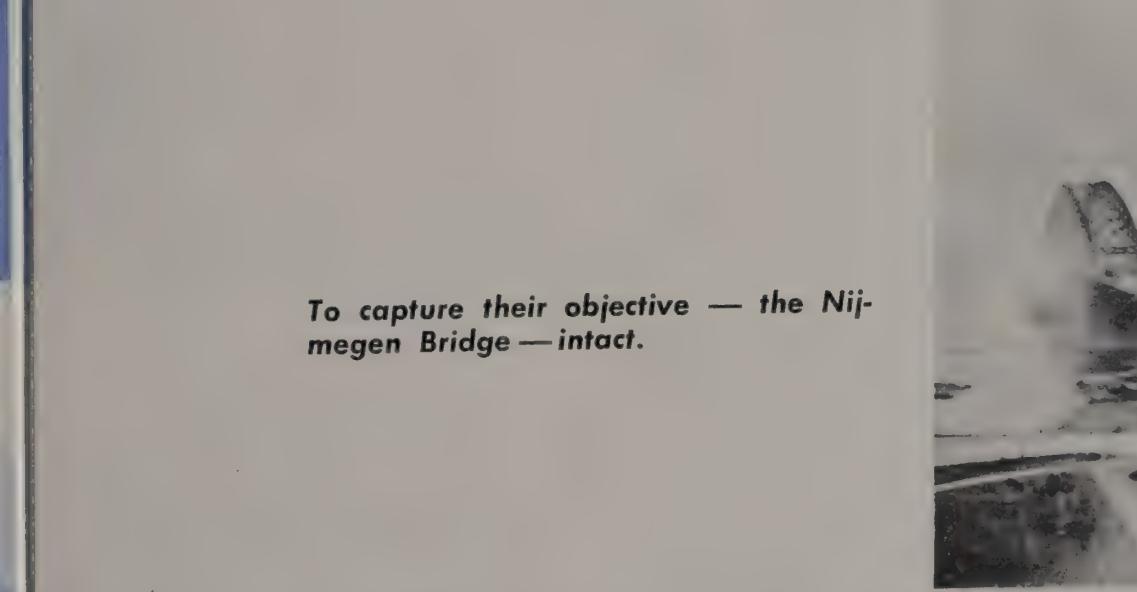
The 82d's air train flew over large areas that had been flooded by the Germans as a defense measure.

Some gliders crashed on landing, Holland, September 17, 1944.

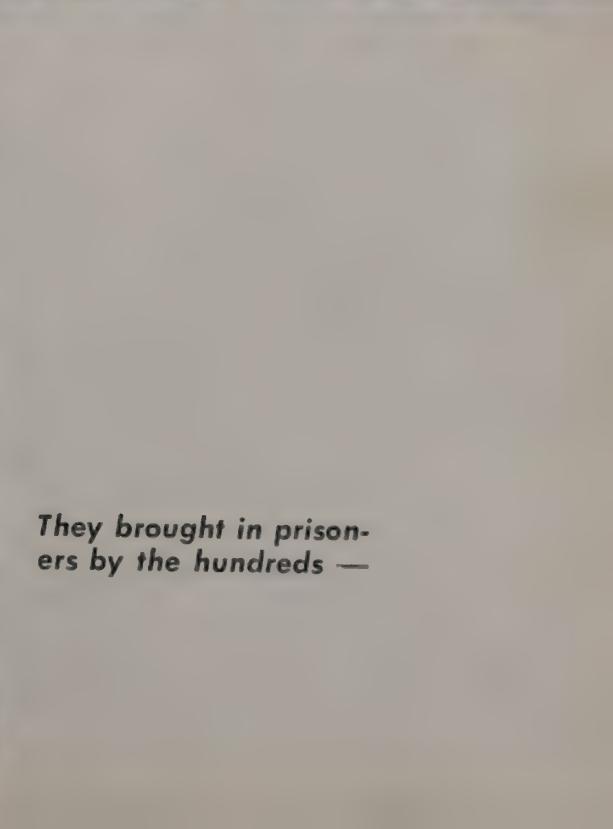




Troopers and glidermen of the 82d fought their way through, against the famous German 88mm gun—



To capture their objective — the Nijmegen Bridge — intact.



They brought in prisoners by the hundreds —



British Lt. General Sir Miles Dempsey, commanding the British 2nd Army in Holland, and General "Slim Jim" Gavin, commanding the 82d Airborne Division, plan operations in Holland, September, 1944.

"I am proud to meet the Commanding General of the finest division in the world today —" General Dempsey to General Gavin, Holland, 1944.

After Holland the 82d Airborne Division was taken out of the line for a rest in France. The rest period came to a sudden end when the hurry-up call went out for the division to move up to break up the German offensive in the Battle of the Bulge.

For their heroic, slashing and successful airborne assault into Holland, the 82d Airborne Division was awarded the Netherlands highest decoration, the Royal Order of William Nassau (Militaire Willem Orde). The 82d was the first foreign unit ever to receive this honor, and is the only one to date.



The 82d Airborne Division moved up through the snow to break up the German offensive in Belgium.

The airborne pack 75s came up overland for the Battle of the Bulge.

The 82d Airborne Division was decorated with the Belgian Fourraguerre for its part in stopping the German offensive in Belgium.



After Belgium came the Rhine crossing — 82d men bring in German prisoners.



82d Troopers liberated inmates of the German concentration camps, many of whom had given themselves up for dead until the Americans arrived.



Then through the Siegfried Line to a linkup with the Russians and V-E Day.





The 82d Airborne Division was chosen to occupy Berlin after V-E Day. Here the division earned its nickname, "America's Guard of Honor."

The division returned to Fort Bragg, North Carolina, the station which has been its home since the war, with the exception of intervals on maneuvers from Alaska to Porto Rico. Here the division carries on its task of securing the peace by maintaining its state of constant preparedness. Here at Fort Bragg the division jumps from new types of aircraft and masters techniques of airborne warfare unknown during World War II. But the spirit of the men of World Wars I and II lives in the tradition of the 82d Airborne Division of today.

"I can assure you that the 82d can take on anything, anywhere, any time that it is called upon to fight —"

*General J. Lawton Collins
Chief of Staff
United States Army*

And on January 3, 1946, the 82d Airborne Division returned to the United States and paraded up Broadway and through Washington Square, while New Yorkers gave it the paper-snowstorm welcome.







MANEUVERS

Tarheel

Swarmer

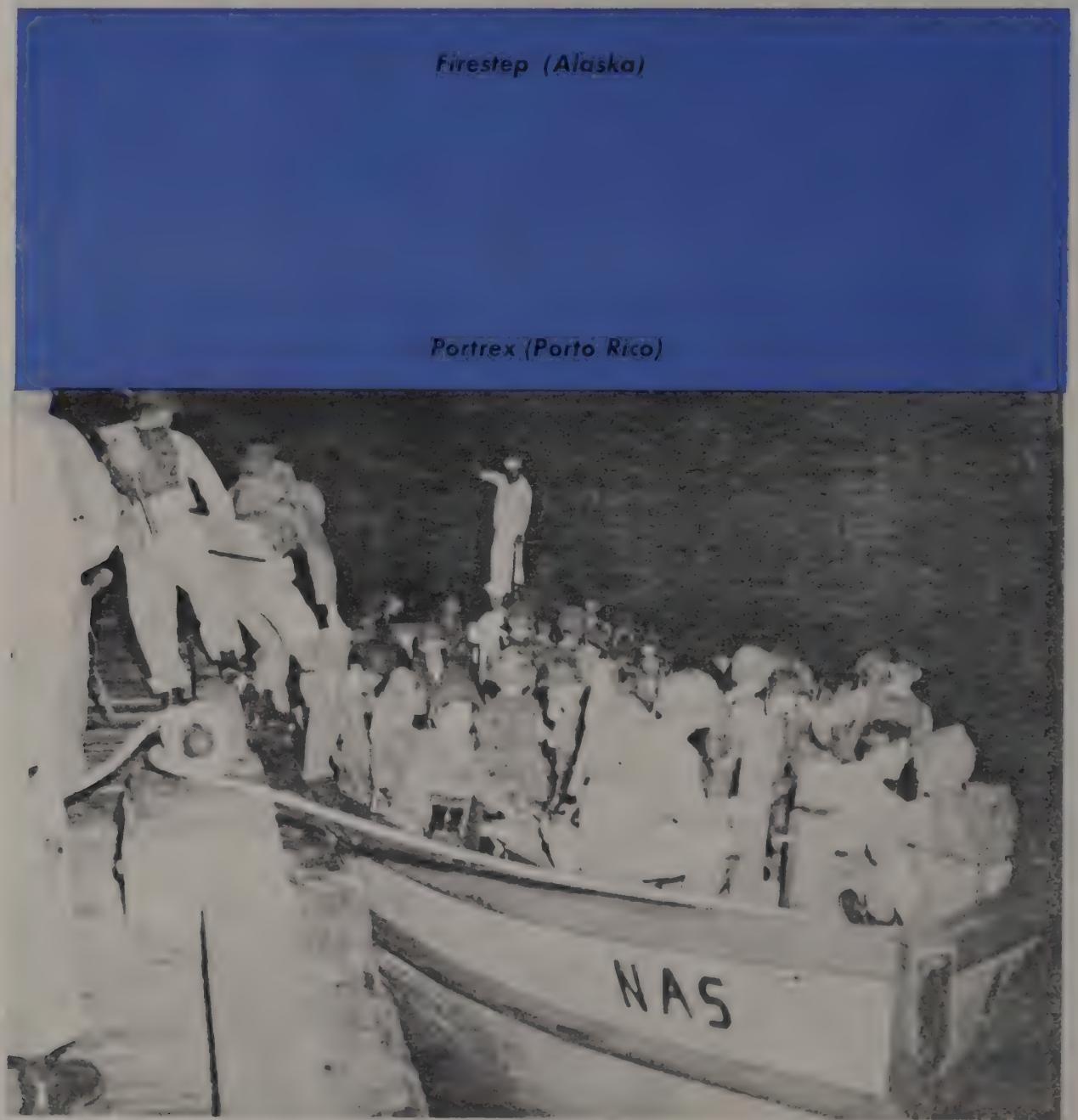
Firestep (Alaska)

Assembly

Snow Drop

Frigid

Portrex (Porto Rico)





Snow Shoe (Labrador)

Southern Pine (Camp Mackall)



Exercise Long Horn



— The Division Rolled through the reservation — — and down the highway —



— 82nd Abn MP's guided the convoy through towns —



— the convoy rolled out early and stopped in the late afternoon —



— troops carried gear to the bivouac area —



— and pitched tents —



— often in the rain —



— Command Post tents went up —



— administration continued in the field —



— then chow call —



— clean up mess gear —



— and KP —



— motor stables —



— the rain cloud followed the division most of the way —



— and it was wet, cold and windy when we arrived in Texas —

— we were Aggressor Forces —



— most of the division wore the red caps of Aggressor paratroops —



— we had a new tank battalion attached —



— to carry us into "combat" —



— The 325 Air jumped in to begin the maneuver —



— and we soon began taking prisoners —



— and more prisoners —



— we took Lampasas —



— General Conham, under the name of "General Gustav Miller" inspected his honor guard —



— then told Lampasans the new rules —



— The band put on a show and got cheers —



— and some of the Lampasans seemed willing to fraternize —



— eventually the script said we had to fall back, but we inflicted heavy casualties at Izoro Gap —



— General Canham and his staff figured new strategy and —



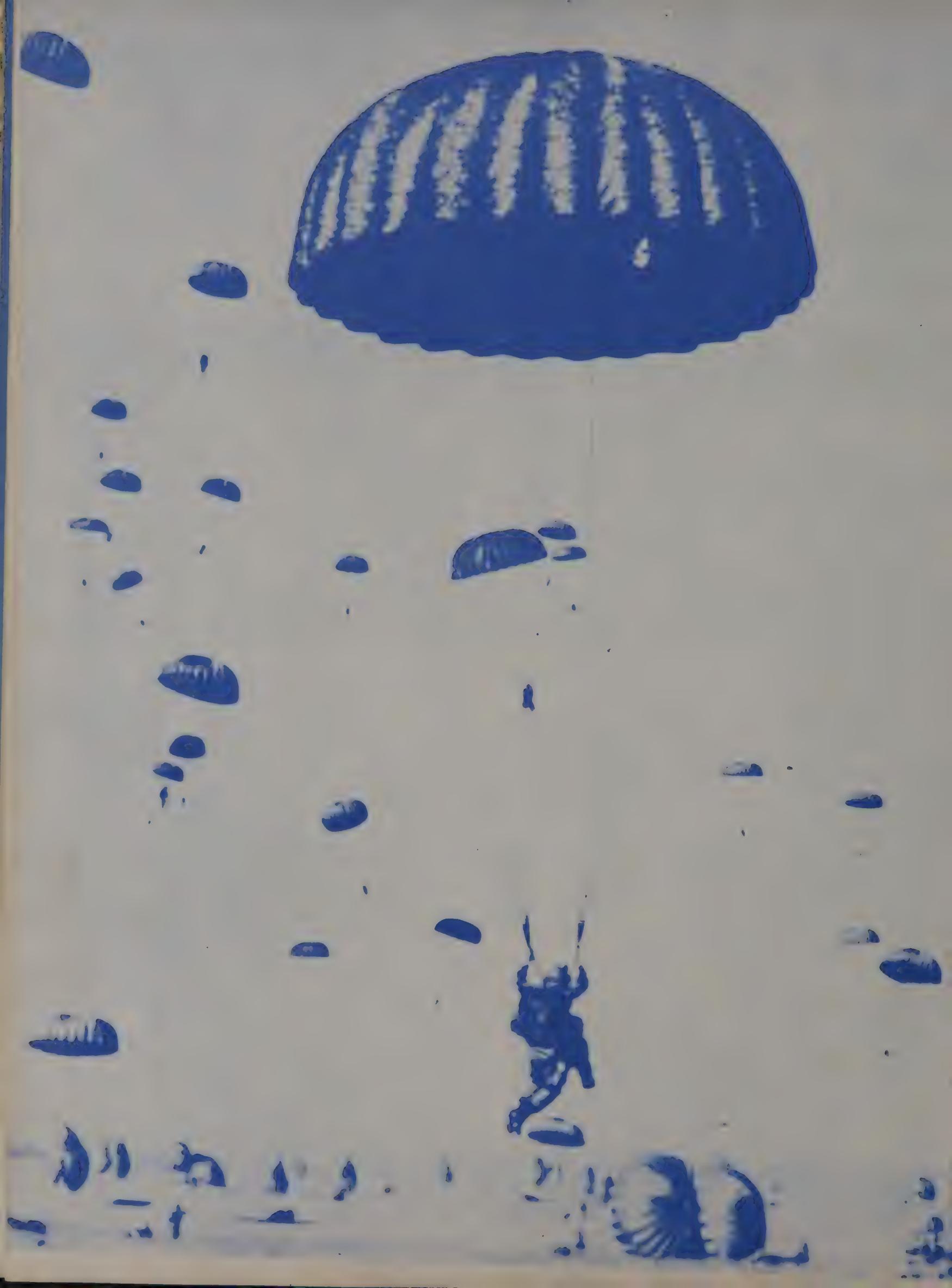
— The 82d got most of the compliments from maneuver-director General Hodge at the Critique —



— The division rolled into Fort Bragg past the band and division colors —



— General Canham and General Sherburne took the salute at the end of the 3200 mile trip —





The original regiment of the 82nd Airborne Division, and the only regiment in the United States Army that has been infantry, glider, and airborne.



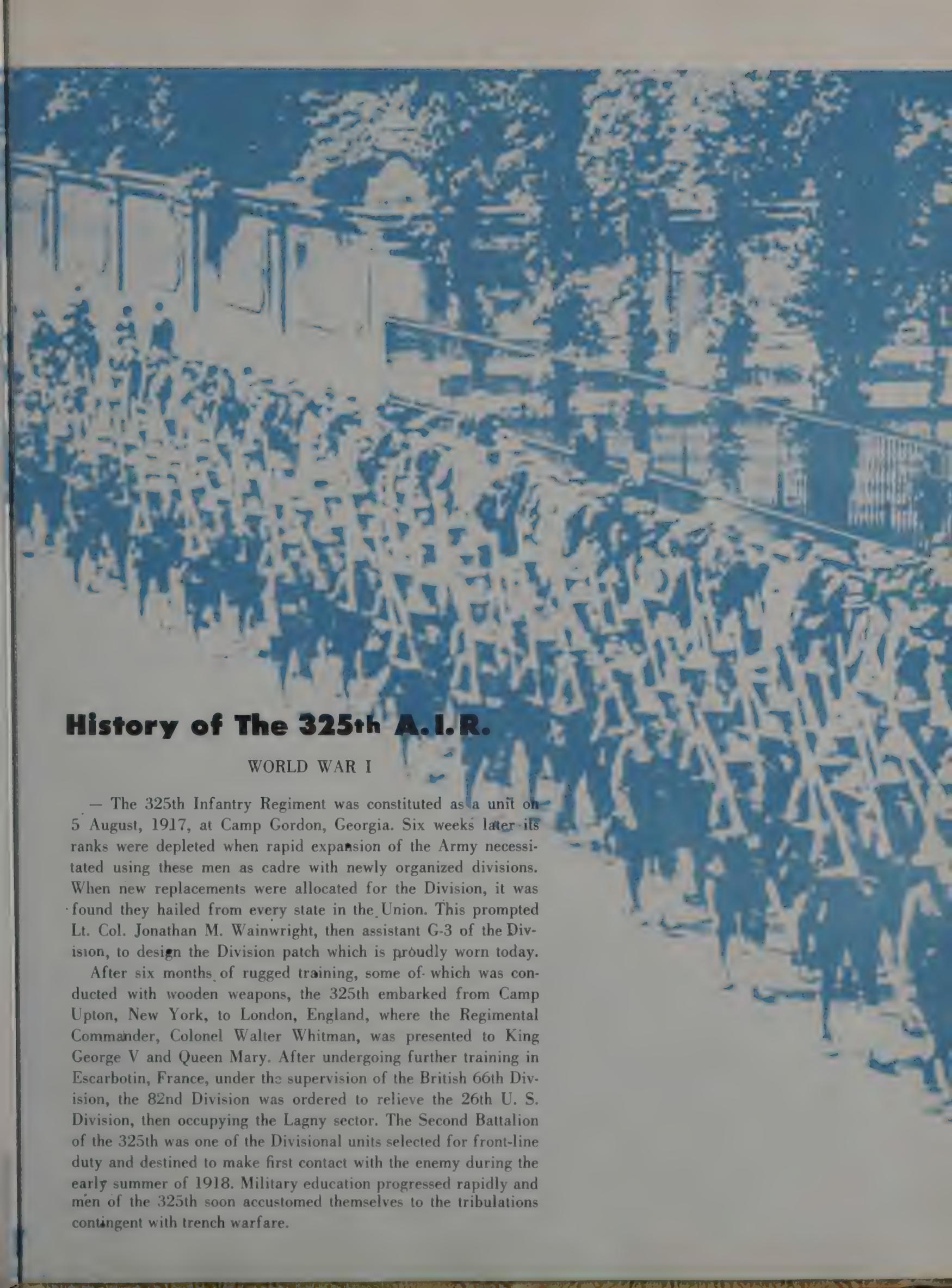
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WORLD WAR I
ST. MIHIEL
MEUSE ARCONNE
POLE GNE DE LORRAINE
FRENCH POLARISSE RHE
BELGIAN FORTRESS GERME
NETHERLANDS ANTWERP
NETHERLANDS WILLEMSORDE

WORLD WAR II
SICILY
NAPLES SICILY
NORMANDY
RHINELAND
ARDENNES ALSACE
CENTRAL EUROPE





History of The 325th A.I.R.

WORLD WAR I

— The 325th Infantry Regiment was constituted as a unit on 5 August, 1917, at Camp Gordon, Georgia. Six weeks later its ranks were depleted when rapid expansion of the Army necessitated using these men as cadre with newly organized divisions. When new replacements were allocated for the Division, it was found they hailed from every state in the Union. This prompted Lt. Col. Jonathan M. Wainwright, then assistant G-3 of the Division, to design the Division patch which is proudly worn today.

After six months of rugged training, some of which was conducted with wooden weapons, the 325th embarked from Camp Upton, New York, to London, England, where the Regimental Commander, Colonel Walter Whitman, was presented to King George V and Queen Mary. After undergoing further training in Escarbotin, France, under the supervision of the British 66th Division, the 82nd Division was ordered to relieve the 26th U. S. Division, then occupying the Lagny sector. The Second Battalion of the 325th was one of the Divisional units selected for front-line duty and destined to make first contact with the enemy during the early summer of 1918. Military education progressed rapidly and men of the 325th soon accustomed themselves to the tribulations contingent with trench warfare.



Infantrymen of the 82nd advance on enemy positions throwing grenades near Choley, France. Fighting was bitter, depleting battalions to company strength.

On 10 October, 1918, the 325th attacked along Cornay Ridge in the vicinity of Fleville. The Germans fled, and the Regiment rammed through to its initial goal, Martincourt Farm and the Aire River. Here they encountered their greatest test. Movement to the line of departure was effected under cover of darkness, through a cold driving rain. Intermittent artillery fire fell on roads clogged with traffic. The Regiment went into the attack with the 327th Infantry on its right. During that day the Regiment hurled back four major enemy counterattacks.

The 325th dug in along the captured ridge and awaited further orders. In October, 1918, orders were received directing the Regiment to capture high ground along the St. Juvine-St. Georges Road, which ran parallel to the Division front. By nightfall the Regiment had advanced well beyond the initial objective and had begun digging in. The enemy, licking their wounds, returned with a Sunday punch which developed into hand-to-hand combat, unequalled in the Regiment's many conflicts. Enemy positions were overwhelmed on 20 October with "K" and "L" Companies achieving the capture of the enemy positions. Climaxing this action, the First Battalion reported seven officers and one-hundred twenty-five men as combat effectives, while the Third Battalion had three officers and one-hundred seventy-five men effective.

The Division was advised that it would be relieved from its sector during the night of 30 October, 1918. The Division was relieved at dawn on 1 November, 1918.

After sailing from Bordeaux, France, in April, 1919, six months after the Armistice, the Regiment was rapidly demobilized. Thus, the 325th Infantry Regiment, proud and gallant, faded into the dim halls of military history. But history, as we shall see, has a way of repeating itself, and fate had much in store for the 325th Infantry Regiment.

END WORLD WAR I

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WORLD WAR II

The National Defense Act of 1920 kept a faint breath of life in the all but forgotten regiments of the 82nd Division by designating them as units of the Organized Reserve Component. During the period between the two wars, the 325th acquired its official Regimental Crest. Its colors of blue and white upon a white shield represent its Infantry status, and the Regimental Motto, "Let's Go," needs no explanation.

The rebirth of the 325th took place at Camp Claiborne, Louisiana, on 25 March, 1942, and once more its ranks filled slowly with men training to fight and kill. Then on 31 October, 1942, the Regiment was redesignated as the 325th Glider Infantry Regiment to meet the ever-changing demands of warfare.

After moving to Fort Bragg, North Carolina, during the month of October, the Regiment plunged into a program of intensified training until its departure for Camp Edwards, Massachusetts, in April 1943. The 325th embarked from New York harbor on April 28th, 1943, and twelve days later they landed at Casablanca, French Morocco.

After boarding LCI's at Licata, Sicily, the Regiment crossed to Italy, landing near Salerno. That very night, 15 September 1943, the Regiment moved into the line and made its first full scale contact with Axis troops in World War II. Soon after, they returned to Division control.

By November the 325th was bound for Ireland. Shortly after arriving at Belfast, the Regiment, which had up to this time been operating with only two Battalions, received a third — the Second Battalion of the 401st Glider Infantry Regiment. The glidermen watched their parachuting comrades depart into the darkening skies on 5 June, 1944, and then grimly set about the task of making their own final preparations to follow.

Then the first glider elements of the 325th swept to a landing about 2500 yards south-east of Ste. Mere-Eglise, France, at 0700 hours of D-plus-1. After victories at LaFiere Bridge, Canquigny and LeHam, the Regiment went into an assembly area



"Get a horse." Dutch farmer gives Yanks a lift to the front.



The glidermen find many helping Dutch hands to unload their gliders. 17 September 1944 was the date these gliders cut loose from their planes over Holland.

near Guettebille for a well-earned rest and reorganization.

Movement back to Sreptoft, England, began on 12 July, 1944. Almost immediately upon the arrival of replacements, the Regiment began to train for the next mission. The restless days of delay ended abruptly on 17 September 1944, when hundreds of C-47's roared their challenge to gravity and swung in graceful arcs for Holland. The 325th landed in its predesignated zone and took up its sector of the line west of Groesbeek. The Regiment cleared Kilkberg Forest and captured Mook Canal, making the enemy pay dearly in lives and equipment. By the end of November the 325th found rest in the vicinity of Rheims; France.

In December, 1944, the Division moved one-hundred and fifty miles through France and Luxembourg into sleepy Belgian towns. The Regiment was ordered to seize the town of Regne. The ridge above the town was of vital importance. Though seriously hampered by shortages of support weapons and heavy ammunition, the 325th opened a route of escape for American troops trapped in the St. Vith garrison.

When the Division was called upon to advance again, it was more than prepared. With its sister Regiments, the 325th over-ran most of the German 62nd Volks-Grenadier Division and the 9th Panzer Division. The Regiment drove the unhappy remnants of the once formidable Wehrmacht before it like herds of sheep, adding Heid De Heirlot, Ancomont, Odrimont, Abrefontaine, and Lierneux to its list of conquests.

After a short break in Corps reserve, the Division was ordered to attack through the 7th Armored Division with the mission of piercing the Siegfried Line. By nightfall, Glidermen were in complete possession of high ground above the strategic town of Wereth, which fell the next morning.

Following the trans-Rhine operation of the 17th Airborne Division, the 325th was sent to the relief of the 342nd Infantry Regiment on the west bank of the Rhine River. As other U. S. troops pushed down the east bank of the Rhine, the Regiment was reassembled and pulled into Cologne for occupation duty.

On 2 May, 1945, the Regiment was given the mission of attacking Ludwigslust. In one thrust that covered twenty-five miles, the 325th cracked German defenses and held control of the city at noon the same day. This was the Regiment's last battle in World War II. Contact was made with Russian forces.

Occupation duties fell to the 325th along with the 82nd Airborne Division, and they patrolled the American sector of Berlin until relieved by the 2nd Armored Division. The Regiment returned to the United States on 3 January, 1946.

The 82nd returned to Fort Bragg, North Carolina, and after a short while the Regiment was again redesignated the 325th Infantry Regiment and ordered to Fort Benning, Ga. Once again it appeared a permanent farewell to its Airborne comrades in the 82nd Airborne Division. But the wheel has a way of turning, and for the 325th there were still new fields to conquer.

END OF WORLD WAR II

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In 1948, a year which saw the cold war assume a more threatening aspect with the blockade of Berlin, the 325th returned to the 82nd Airborne Division. On 15 December 1948, it was redesignated as the 325th Airborne Infantry Regiment. After the Regiment moved to its area at Fort Bragg, North Carolina, familiar faces were once again visible. Lt. Col. John L. DeWitt, Jr. assumed command of the Regiment.

The new year saw the Regiment fill its gaps with officers and men. After rehabilitation of barracks and general area, the Regiment turned to military training. Maneuver rumors were prevalent by the end of February. CPX's were being staged and offered as proof that the 325th would take an active part. The maneuver date was scheduled for mid-April, and the Battalions redoubled their efforts to increase their operational efficiency before D-Day.

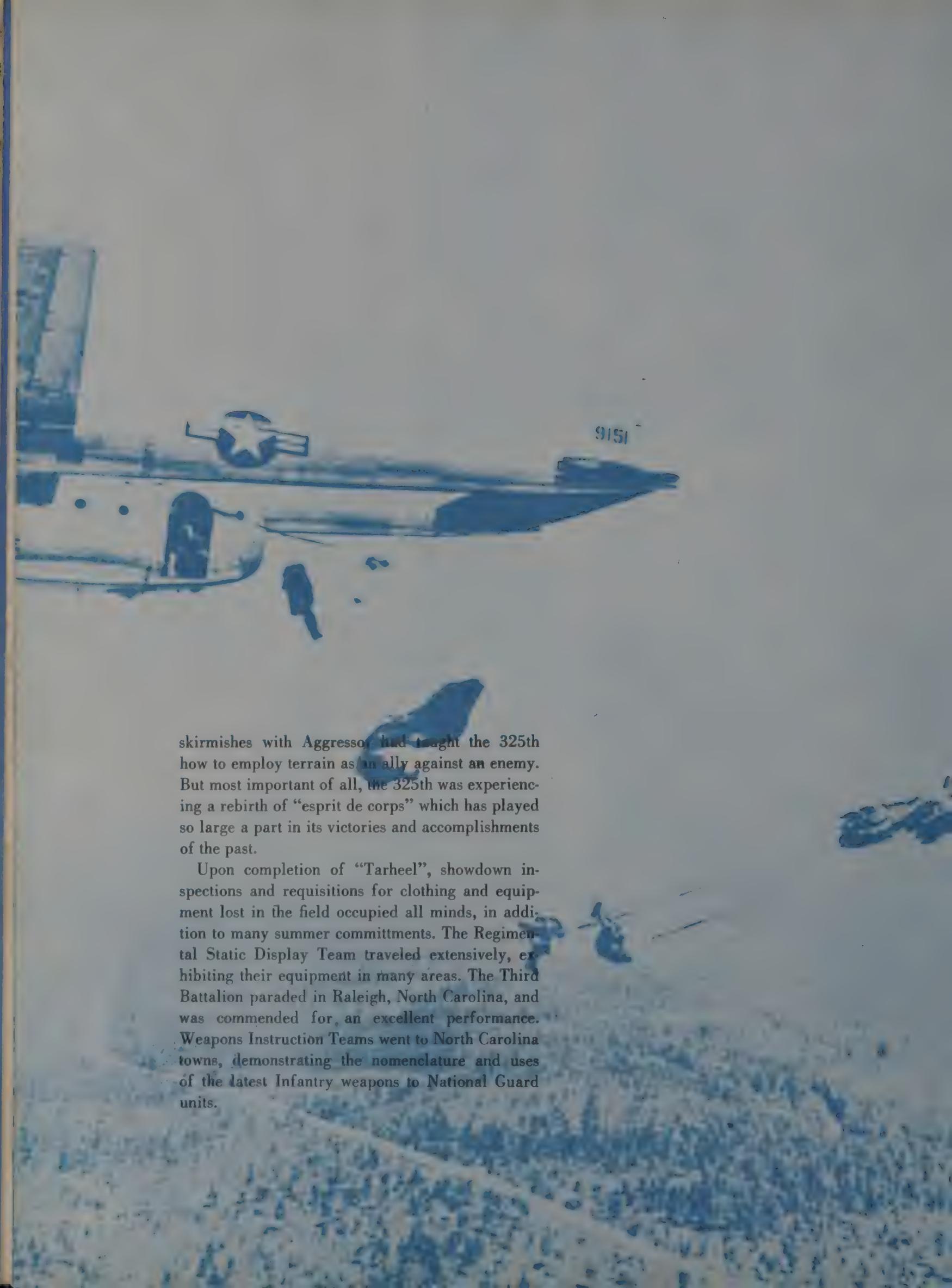
Then came "Exercise Tarheel." For weeks an air of expectancy had pervaded as the Regiment observed units from distant camps filter into Fort Bragg and nearby areas. "Tarheel" began on 18 April, 1949. By the end of the month, many



A Dutch girl waves an American flag of welcome to advancing troopers.



The 82nd Airborne Division in its Victory Parade through New York City.



skirmishes with Aggressors had taught the 325th how to employ terrain as an ally against an enemy. But most important of all, the 325th was experiencing a rebirth of "esprit de corps" which has played so large a part in its victories and accomplishments of the past.

Upon completion of "Tarheel", showdown inspections and requisitions for clothing and equipment lost in the field occupied all minds, in addition to many summer commitments. The Regimental Static Display Team traveled extensively, exhibiting their equipment in many areas. The Third Battalion paraded in Raleigh, North Carolina, and was commended for an excellent performance. Weapons Instruction Teams went to North Carolina towns, demonstrating the nomenclature and uses of the latest Infantry weapons to National Guard units.



The 325th Static Display Team displays its wares.

July brought the first of the Organized Reserve units into Fort Bragg for their annual training. The 84th Airborne Reserve Division was provided thorough training on the latest tactics and equipment of Airborne warfare.

Suddenly the vicious rumor made its rounds through the ranks — we were about to lose Colonel DeWitt. The first days of August verified the rumor and the Regiment paraded in farewell to the departing commander and as a welcome to the new one, Lt. Col. John R. Pugh. Colonel DeWitt said in his parting address: "I am more proud of being in this unit than any other in my twenty-five years of service."

Colonel Pugh went all out for sports, and under his active interest the baseball team spurted to post finals before dropping their last game. Units of the 80th Airborne Reserve Division assumed the role of pupils for experts of the 325th. Vacation trips to Camp Orrell continued. The 108th Airborne Reserve Division and 485th Glider Infantry Regiment joined other troops under the Regiment's effective scholastic wing.

In September Company "G" left the post and headed for Fort Benning, Georgia, where they assumed new duties as demonstration troops at The Infantry School.



The first Battalion Honor Guard for President Truman

Along with football another season was approaching — rifle firing. Ranges were busy places in October as an effort was made to qualify every man in the 325th with his basic weapon. The 325th Static Display Team, which had already distinguished itself throughout the year, surpassed its previous efforts with a superior performance at the Cumberland County Fair.

President Truman visited Fort Bragg to review V Corps and Division troops, and the First Battalion of the 325th received the coveted honor of acting as his personal honor guard.

During chilly November mornings troops were preparing for command inspections. On Armistice Day the Third Battalion paraded in High Point, North Carolina, Company "C" participated in the Shriners' parade held in Fayetteville, and Company "H" visited Hamlet, North Carolina to take part in the annual Civic Parade.

Activities in January of 1950 consisted of training in field exercises and operations commencing with squad and progressing to the Battalion and Regimental level. Army Field Forces tests for small units were held. Then the Regiment was called upon to furnish a guard at the burial services conducted for the late General of the Air Force, Henry H. Arnold.

In February Lt. Col. Pugh was replaced by Lt. Col. John J. Tolson as Regimental Commander. From 27 Mar to 12 April 1950 the Regiment was given a mission of destroying artillery and mortar duds on the Fort Bragg Military Reservation. This task was undertaken and accomplished without incident.

The Regiment closed into Camp Mackall, North Carolina, assembly area on 20 April 1950. The 325th participated in the establishment of the air-head, which was the highlight of "Exercise Swamer," by making a parachute drop on DZ Sicily on 30 April. Then the 325th continued to operate as an effective combat team of the 82nd Airborne Division through the maneuver, returning to Fort Bragg on 9 May 1950.

On 1 June 1950, Colonel Thomas Mifflin assumed duties as Regimental Commander. After the outbreak of hostilities in Korea, there was an increased emphasis on more realistic combat training and administrative preparation for a possible early movement to an overseas theatre. Also, the Regiment was called upon to furnish all of the personnel in support of a training program set up by the Division for instructing cadets of the United States Military Academy Class of 1952 and ROTC personnel in the phases of their training.

In July 1950 a detailed program of airborne training, with emphasis on communications pro-

cedure, was prepared and conducted for the 319th Parachute Infantry Reserve Regiment.

Then the Regiment became responsible for the training of 971 newly assigned recruits. At the completion of six weeks basic training approximately 55 per cent of the trainees volunteered for airborne training, and of these, 376 successfully completed jump school. Upon completion of the airborne training an additional eight weeks of advanced training was conducted by the Regiment for these new troopers.

In September 1950 a light aircraft section was transferred to the Regiment. Later in the month, the 325th moved from the old RTC area to new quarters in the Division area.

The Second Battalion was placed on temporary duty at Fort Benning, Georgia, for a period of 90 days in support of The Infantry School's Instructional Program. General Thomas Hickey assumed command of the 82nd Airborne Division and addressed troops of the 325th in a welcoming review.

Many CPX's were held in November with particular emphasis placed on Communications. The Regiment continued to improve although the loss of the Second Battalion was seriously felt in all phases of training.

Preparation was intense, which was demonstrated by an excellent showing in the preliminary Command Inspection held during December. Colonel Thomas Mifflin conducted this inspection and was thoroughly satisfied.

During Christmas holidays, the majority of the men went on leaves and passes. Those who elected to remain in the 325th area were treated to a large dinner and for the most part allowed to do as they pleased with their time.

January 1951 was almost entirely devoted to the preparation necessary to the Regiment's movement to Fort Benning to act as School Troops for a period of six months.

Before covering from February, 1951 to May, 1952, pictorially, the officers and men that now make up the 325th Airborne Infantry Regiment will be presented in the following pages.



As we look through the pages of this book we cannot help feeling refreshed by the memories of the past year's experiences. Like any large group of energetic young American serving their country you have had your difficult days as well as easy ones. As the years roll on, however, you will remember these experiences with mellow good humor and pride of accomplishment.

Let this book of Falcon history be your reminder that you have been a contributing member of the finest regiment in the finest division in the U. S. A. And may pride in self, Regiment and Division continue to uphold in you the desire to be the best anywhere, anytime, under any condition.



Lt. Colonel John N. Davis
March '52 July '52

STAFF



Lt. Col. Gordon K. Smith,
Regimental Executive Officer



1st Lt. Russel M. Brami, Asst. S-1



Major Charles A. Burgess, S-1



Captain Robert H. Lapke, S-2



Major James K. Cockrell, S-3



Major Kenneth Shipman, S-4

SPECIAL STAFF



Capt. Robert P. Rueff
Regimental Chaplain (Catholic)



Major Charles McLoughlin
Ass't Reg. Executive Officer



Capt. Homer W. Harris Jr.
Regimental Surgeon



M/Sgt. James D. Rogers
Regimental Sergeant Major



Capt. Franklin T. Gosser
Regimental Chaplain (Protestant)



Capt. Percy E. Stuart
Regimental Motor Officer



1st Lt. Stephen W. Benkosky Jr.
Asst. Regimental Motor Officer



1st Lt. John C. Wilkinson
Asst. Regimental Surgeon



1st Lt. Edward J. Kenny
Regimental Communications Officer

2nd Lt. Huel H. Keown
Regimental Club Officer



Capt. Melvin H. Neighbors
Personnel Officer



CWO Harry W. Swanson
Motor Maintenance Officer

HQ. AND HQ. COMPANY



Capt. Linn C. Shelton,
Company Commander

When Uncle Sam said, "We've all got to work together as a team," we of Head & Head believe that he was pointing his finger directly at us. Our Uncle sort of neglected us when he issued fire-power, but that's because He had more important things in mind, such as anti-tank mines, mine-detectors, highly sensitive radios, switchboards, field phones, miles of wire, and plenty of vehicles.

We believe that the Infantry Regiment revolves around us. You might even say that if a Regiment were a universe, we'd be the sun. Our responsibility is directly to the Regimental Staff. We perform multifarious duties, 'M/R' clerk-typists and non-commissioned officers to Regimental Headquarters, drivers and vehicles to the Staff Sections.

It was once rumored that Intelligence & Reconnaissance Platoon received its training from the Apaches. The Regimental S-2 depends on us to report the who, when, what, where and why of enemy activity. We reconnoiter and bring in valuable information. That's in addition to planning a unified patrol system for the entire Regiment.

A rifleman can't fire accurately unless he receives proper information in a hurry. That's why we've also a Communications Platoon. This Platoon is responsible for accurate communication from Regiment down to subordinate units. Our men are trained in laying wire, the operation of switchboards, field sets, and phones. We believe we're the backbone of unit control.

Enemy tankers soon learn respect for the Anti-tank Platoon. From our situation maps supplied by Intelligence & Reconnaissance Platoon, we know exactly where to lay mine fields, and we're told just where the enemy thinks he's got us blocked because of his own mine fields. Are they surprised when our tanks roll over their mine fields and nothing happens!

No — we don't fire the rifles, the recoilless weapons, the machine guns, the mortars, but we make the job much easier for the men who do.



HQS. PLATOON

1st Row, L to R: Payne, Davis, Woo, Lovato, Reed, Healy, McCaffrey, Wisniewski. 2nd Row, L to R: McGonigle, Aumiller, Avides, Renna, Babcock, Altadonna, Bartes, Koobs, Moser. 3rd Row: Eustace, Ridenour, Burnett, Dancy, Edmonds, Edwards, Forrest, Kirk, Washburn. 4th Row, L to R: Owens, Graves, Slinde, Autenrieth, Clarke, Lacy, Feil, Tillman, Mitchell, McDougall, Casey.

1st Row, L to R: 1st Lt. Harris, Makus, Rosado, M/Sgt. Gremm. 2nd Row, L to R: Kleya, Kohl, Sandoval, Beckwith, Grantham, 3rd Row, L to R: Jensen, Zauche, Robb, Cash, Quinn, Taylor. 4th Row, L to R: Baker, Bexley, Ingram, Tucker, Anderson, Pond.



1st Row, L to R: Lt. Erickson, Greth, Harada, Leon, Fedorov, Sgt. Reardon. 2nd Row, L to R: Strals, Poniewarz, Soltau, Purvis, Prouty, Marsh, Wall. 3rd Row, L to R: O'Neil, Olchovick, Hunsinger, Ross, Helton, Ingles, Sylawa.

1st Row, L to R: Lt. Miller, Bashore, Ahlgren, Chaney, Griner, Martin, Saylor, Sgt. Hooks. 2nd Row, L to R: King, Washington, Breon, Allen, Cody, Reyes, Barnes, Dye, Szafranic, 3rd Row, L to R: LaFrank, M. Mizzles, Frost, Whitehead, Perreault, Grainger, Lyster, Malenfant, Ingram, Judd. 4th Row, L to R: Burbage, Stentz, Verbosky, Tucker, Varaneckas, Sandbo, Kopack, Douglas, Hubbard, Horstman, Constant.



SERVICE COMPANY



Capt. William R. Miller,
Company Commander



1st Row, L to R: CWO Boginski, Berryhill, Guimond, SFC Moss. 2nd Row, L to R: Sgt. Knop, Gebauer, Stanfield, Hammond, Decker. 3rd Row, L to R: Flood, Colbeck, Duron, Sgt. Melsky, Boyles, Rudd.

1st Row, L to R: Lt. Benkosky, Silva, Plourde, Armelino, Copeland, SFC Escobedo, M/Sgt. Spake. 2nd Row, L to R: Castillo, Reilly, Yocom, Jackson, Morgan, Anthony, Havener, Quast, Brooks. 3rd Row, L to R: Salazar, Woods, Pittman, Burch, Soto, Basile, Kuper, Boyne, Cochran. 4th Row, L to R: Fouth, Morelli, Bunch, Morris, Glover, Moyers, McAuliff, W. Blevins, Clark, Blankenship, Eskew. 5th Row, L to R: Hardin, Valandra, Phillips.



After a hard day's training in the field a weary soldier said vehemently, "I'm gonna transfer to Service Company — those guys got it made."

The average soldier doesn't realize that Service Company has the sole function of giving service to the Regiment. When Mr. Average Soldier is tucked in his sack, he should silently thank Service Company's Ration Breakdown for the chow he will eat the next day. And chances are, his Company Kitchen Truck is a Service Company vehicle — driven and cared for by Service Company drivers.

Still think it's a soft job, Mr. Average Soldier?

Think again, my boy! It's Service Company's Munition Section that see you've the ammo to keep you fighting. And the day your truck broke down? Maintenance Section put it on the road again.

Pay day would be sad were it not for our Airborne "WACs" in the Personnel Section. And who keeps your records in order?

Remember how happy you are when that letter from the one and only comes in? Thank the Regimental Mail Section of Service Company.

So, Mr. Average Soldier, remember this — Service Company has many tasks to accomplish, and every one has the same end in view — to service the troops to the best of its ability. Don't undersell the "Circus." It's service to you — Service with a smile!



1st Row, L to R: Lt. Erickson, Fedele, SFC Muller, Haskell, Sgt. Harrell, M/Sgt. Lenhardt. 2nd Row, L to R: Sherrill, SFC McMartin, West, Sgt. Quint, Sgt. Zumalt, Sgt. Truth, Sgt. Johnson. 3rd Row L to R: Chapman, Minton, Patterson, Mayers, Gross, Mann, Yancey, Sgt. Slaven, Burris, Medvec.

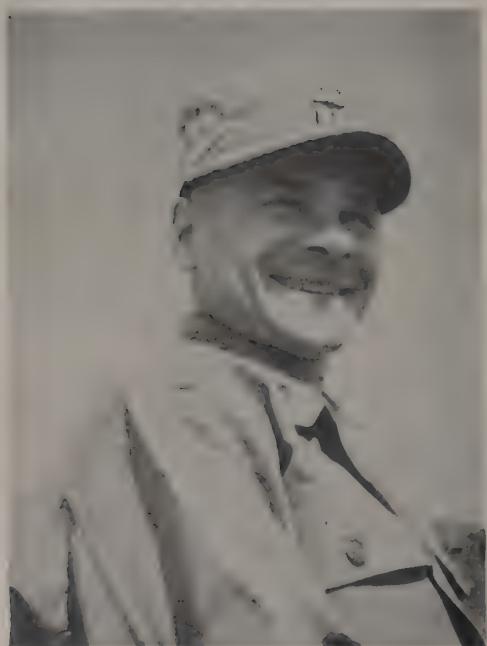


1st Row, L to R: CWO Swansom, Minton, Connelly, Mayer, Fouts, SFC Sykes. 2nd Row, L to R: Connelly, Seward, Johnson, McGeary, Burba, Flodstrom, Kenline. 3rd Row, L to R: Sgt. Buttrey, Brumley, Brown, Butler, Moreau, Seals, Sgt. Garrett, Spivey.



1st Row, L to R: Capt. Stuart, WOJG Miller, M/Sgt. Shearer, WOJG Vance, CWO Jackson. 2nd Row, L to R: Sgt. Dooley, Celico, Houghtailing, Sgt. Pait, Sgt. Howell, SFC Leeson. 3rd Row, L to R: Lasagna, Quinn, Hughes, Blackburn, Neill, Neely, Poche, Kibilus, Bennett.

MEDICAL COMPANY



Capt. Marion A. Rogala,
Company Commander

Since activation in December of 1948, Medical Company has participated by representation in nearly every tactical problem from platoon size on up. In addition to this, of course, are the many administrative commitments of tower training, range and DZ coverage.

The Medics have supported the Regiment in the neighborhood of 5,000 commitments . . . We've covered the DZ nearly 200 times, during which our personnel have been present at approximately 52,800 jumps.

Our Regimental Dispensary has given nearly 75,000 shots.

During our visit at Fort Benning, the Medics were frequently committed beyond 100% in staging the various demonstrations desired by The Infantry School.

Twenty-eight enlisted men who were with the company when it was activated are still in this organization, including our Commanding Officer, Captain Marion A. Rogala.



1st Row, L to R: SFC Heller, Witz, Martinez, Reese, Juarez, White, Vinson, Raspi, SFC Griffin. 2nd Row, L to R: Frasure, Gaynor, Harris, Triggiani, Santoliquido, Pavilakis, Gardner, Way, Cilley, Rios. 3rd Row, L to R: Duchow, James, Bellocq, Huckins, Russell, Dowery, Gibbs, Sydor, Tinker, Bryant, Szabo, Negron. 4th Row, L to R: Doyle, Lewis, Kenney, Ward, Icenhour, Manley, LeCompte, Dyar, Robbinson, Duncan, Martens, Misiak, Noort, Struffolino, Wilson.



1st Row, L to R: Captain Joyner, J. A. Smith, Fletcher, Overton, Bobian, M/Sgt. Welch, 2nd Row, L to R: Taglieri, Woodring, Lennon, Ambrose, Kelso, Sherwood, King, Lucas, Lovering. 3rd Row, L to R: Mirocke, Pike, Slocum, Lovell, Sprague, Manske, Sivachenko, Skotzke, Mooney, Rudy, Edwards, F. A., Thompson.



1st Row, L to R: Captain Costello, D. J. Smith, Fierro, Haro, M/Sgt. Jimenez. 2nd Row, L to R: Kent, Dussault, Turner, Dinardi, Warren, Mercardo. 3rd Row, L to R: Daniels, Roach, Spade, Kage, Hernandez, Mills, O'Neill, Ivey. 4th Row, L to R: Foster, Lyver, Sheppard, Moore, Toney, Jackson, Larsen, Hamilton, Kerwin, Campbell.



1st Row, L to R: Lt. Bue, Metzger, Renehan, Miller, Torres, Poteete, SFC Potter. 2nd Row, L to R: Krockier, Ray, Hueser, Beasley, Imperial, McMillion, Smigelski, Anthony. 3rd Row, L to R: Lowther, Brown, Goulart, Spadaro, Delacruz, Bates, Carmichael, Theaux, Lopez. 4th Row, L to R: Pinckney, Clark, Schoene, Schneider, Smith, Shives, Poindexter, Sweeney, Fisher, Stansell.

SUPPORT COMPANY



Capt. Frank L. Dietrich,
Company Commander

Support Company — (The Best Motor Pool is the efficient Motor Pool) — Commendation Company — what's the difference? It started way back there before Exercise Swarmer — and continued.

Ever heard of the "Mad Minute" — "The Tank-Infantry Team in the Attack?" Support Company boasts of commendations for exemplary participation in both. You'll see us in training films.

Speaking of who's best. Visit our mess hall and find out for yourself.



1st Row, L to R: WOJG Schonert, Perkins, Grissett, Giguere, Rosa, Mason, Daniel, Sgt. Hargett. 2nd Row, L to R: Meade, Bushey, Davenport, Ayres, Miller, Coleman, Butler, Brochu. 3rd Row, L to R: Provost, Marion, Ireland, Novey, Allen, McCullough, Scott, Harper, Mora, Hunter. 4th Row, L to R: Winchester, Lockman, Robertson, Dailey, Dougherty, Jarrett, Elzey, Wisland, Johnson, Blanchard, Kilcoyne, Bliss.



1st Row, L to R: Lt. Metcalf, Angulo, Walker, Wahnon, Thompson, Fujimoto, Latham, DeMoss, M/Sgt. Johnson. 2nd Row, L to R: Fleming, Pizzutti, Wilson, Jackson, Butler, Beeson, Loutzenhiser, Fernandez, Cash. 3rd Row, L to R: Nenzoski, Lucey, Curran, Stanley, Brandon, Lowe, Butler, McCann, Kane, Hosler, Ezelle. 4th Row, L to R: Kelley, Guess, Carson, Woodworth, Wuerdeman, Warren, Cooper, Feliciano, Banks, Harbour, Aloia.



1st Row, L to R: M/Sgt. Baenke, Kaminski, Buechler, Montoya, Cervera, Wolff, Gillespi, Parker. 2nd Row, Muffley, Johnson, Matadama, Graham, Derringer, Blum, Solomon, Hensley. 3rd Row, L to R: Yateman, Hammond, Mears, Gilmore, Dobson, Clarin, Douglas. 4th Row, L to R: Baker, Hallowell, Edwards, Flickinger, Stetsko, Torres, J. B. Johnson.



1st Row, L to R: Lt. Derby, Joyce, Durant, Venne, Contreras, Kidd, M/Sgt. Allen. 2nd Row, Luke, Ahumada, Butler, Kerr, McDonald, Akers, Bryant. 3rd Row, L to R: DiRienzo, Anderson, Batiste, Gainey, Saucier, Kite, Harding. 4th Row, L to R: Gustafson, Carroll, Fisher, Dawson, Paggett, Shannon, Day, Hilden.

HQ. & HQ. CO. 1st BATTALION



Lt. Col. Frederick A. McGinnis,
Battalion Commander



Major David Hickman
Executive Officer



Maj. Frank L. Lillyman,
Asst. Executive Officer.



Capt. David Fink, S-1 & 2



1st Lt. Gerald Clinton, S-4

They call us handy-men. Battalion only mentions wanting a bridge constructed. Next time they look around we've got tanks crossing over it. Mama Nature provided all the necessary materials.

That's only a small item on Head First's list of missions. We're demolition experts too. "If you can build it, we can blast it!"

Need a carpenter, painter, mechanic, radio repairman, more ammo and communications up front?

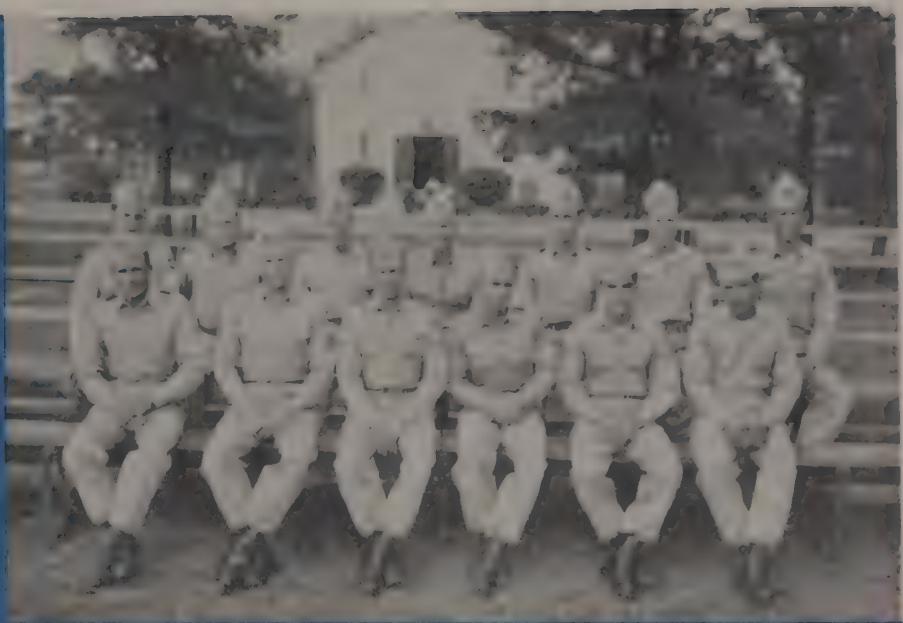
And say! Head First's right up there with the experts —simply got a jar full of solutions. A bomb — so what? We've got plans for radiological bomb-proof shelters equipped with hot and cold running water!



1st Lt. John Q. Arnette,
Headq. Company Commander

Front Row L to R: WOJG Kelley, Wapp, Nomburg, Robles, Dalton, DeSoto, M/Sgt. Hollingsworth. 2nd Row, L to R: Bowers, Daugherty, Keating, Burgraff, L. Rodriguez, Haney, Clark, Hibbert.





Front Row, L to R: Sgt. Major Walla, M/Sgt. Barnett, Homberger, Barron, Blough, Gomez. 2nd Row, L to R: Powers, Braucks, Easler, Dinhham, Wall, Neff, Werner.



Front Row, L to R: SFC Robbirds, Mallow, Abidin, T. D. Jones. 2nd Row, L to R: Lesnienski, C. R. Jones, Everage, Rich, Welch, Lara. 3rd Row, L to R: Torres, McAllister, Jarriel, Grose, Rudkin, C. D. King, Meile, Roman, Yazell.



Front Row, L to R: Lt. Hermann, SFC Lentz, Powell, R. Rodriguez, Chavez, Dufexis, Harris. 2nd Row, L to R: Anderson, Orwan, Bailey, Roughgarden, Showan, Blight, Martinez, Mouse, Starnes. 3rd Row, L to R: Skiba, Coleman, Sullivan, Weaver, M. G. King, Ryan, Stidham, Menard, Brennam, McDonald, Reed.

COMPANY A



Capt. Francis B. Kane, Jr.,
Company Commander

'A' means 'Able' — able to accomplish the impossible. Why? Sound training, and lots of it, that's the answer. As School Troops at Fort Benning we've perfected the approved solution for attacking a city, assaulting with tanks, fighting as Infantry with close artillery, tank and air support of Battalion in the attack. Instruct — if you want to learn thoroughly.

Ever hear of our specialty? Night raids by platoon. We collect CP signs instead of scalps. Drop by our Trophy Room if you're interested in seeing results!

"Who dunnit!" commanders scream.

"We dunno — they came like the wind — all we could see was they got mohawk haircuts!"



Front Row, L to R: M/Sgt. Summerlin, Malone, Booher, Herrera, Lauder milk, Buss. 2nd Row, L to R: Shaughnessy, Creager, Green, Fraser, Boyko, Harris, Taylor.

Front Row, L to R: Lt. Milam, Snyder, Olive, J. L. Russell, Fonseca, Petrie. 2nd Row, L to R: Boutwell, Andrews, Downey, Ghiringhelli, Peters, Burch. 3rd Row, L to R: Rider, Ford, J. E. Martin, R. F. Johnson, D. Jones, Shirley, Beauchamp, Armentrout, McCracken. 4th Row, L to R: Carrell, Guirreri, Beacher, Bard, Mulvaney, Walter, Manis, Lafoon, Bergin, Griffith, Berlinghiere



Front Row, L to R: Lt. Brown, Tyler, Kawashima, Solis, Jarrett, M/Sgt. Turek. Second Row, L to R: Poling, Porter, Gibson, R. L., Bourque, Martin, Dolzynski, F. E. Harris, Yannotti. Third Row, L to R: Crespo, Martinez, Zielinski, Weaver, Knuth, Guillen, Reinhold, Heymans, Jerome, Umberger. Fourth Row, L to R: Grutner, Abel, Bennett, Marquardt, McEwen, Lizardo, Inclan, Stimach, Meding, Elam, Musich, Sheputis, Brozynski.



Front Row, L to R: Lt. Aschwald, Starleper, Garnes, Zaros, Washington, D. K. Davis, Muncey, Wagner, Shaffer. 2nd Row, L to R: R. A. Gibson, Bailey, Fuller, Mangan, Shelton, Blodgett, Thomas, Jones, Garrett, Johnson, Segar. 3rd Row, L to R: McCollum, Burton, Moran, Setters, Brown, Rivera, Benson, Park, McCauley, Prince, Johnson, Rhodes, Jones.

Front Row, L to R: M/Sgt. Manuel, Adame, Grant, Sechler, Jenkins, Tiffany, McCormick, Gessulo. 2nd Row, L to R: Bowman, Davis, Maloney, Brown, Kerr, McFarland. 3rd Row, L to R: Sageser, Brown, Kenny, Smith, Bothel, Zlatovich, McDonald. 4th Row, L to R: Doddy, Malik, Swanson, Binns, Lamrouex, Hansen, Olson, Cushey, Mitcham, Burton.



COMPANY B



1st Lt. Grady M. Vickery,
Company Commander

"Fix bayonets and — CHARGE!"

Want realism, soldier? Well informed on rules of the Geneva Convention? Intelligence minded? Know the best methods of escape if captured? Think you've got the stamina to move with a squad twenty, thirty miles behind enemy lines, strike a death blow, disappear and then turn up ten miles away to deal them another wallop? Come on over to Baker Company, then, if you think you qualify.

Want to know something else? Our plans of attack triple those for the defense. Somebody once told us, "he who fights and runs away — lives to fight another day." And ever since, we've been proving how true he was!



1st Row, L to R: 1st Lt. Farrow, Wilson, Mayo, Seymour
2nd Row, L to R: Mullins, Howard, McMillian, West, McCulloch.

1st Row, L to R: M/Sgt. McElveen, Tappen, Limon, Chavez, Miller, Scheidel, Buschschulte, O'Rourke. 2nd Row, L to R: Albert, Walker, Farmer, Thompson, Crist, Moses Taylor, Gardner, Ramos. 3rd Row L to R: Duffer, Kilker, Davis, Jenkins, Kramer, Rockwell, Santo, Ary, Webber, Maese. 4th Row, L to R: Creed, Price, Thomas, Cooke, Mize, Riggs, Harris, Botsko, Zumbach, Manning, Rohrman.





1st Row, L to R: SFC Ratliff, Flores, Bourgeois, R. Luna, Williams, Clark, Fussell. 2nd Row, L to R: Palimete, White, R. Underwood, Shaffer, Whealon, Kruger, Bryan, Farner. 3rd Row, L to R: Waters, Weatherford, Baumhardt, Galligo, Mattison, Harjo, Principe, Harrison. 4th Row, L to R: Romero, English, Faulk, Day, Short, Whetstone, Conmee, Fenley, F. C. Cook.



1st Row, L to R: M/Sgt. Gossom, Trujillo, Wage, Varela, Domingoes, Fonetnot, Orson. 2nd Row, L to R: Redden, Sampson, Cassity, Fields, Koch, Broughton, Mallette, Mangrum. 3rd Row, L to R: Jackson, Elliott, Tancredi, Sanchez, McDonald, Baptist, Swank, Cladwell, Ochoa, Tremitiedi. 4th Row, L to R: Kierzek, Burtrum, Lusker, Clark, Walter, Taylor, Costello, Galligo, Baird, Campos.



1st Row, L to R: SFC Connor, Duran, Baker, Wekwert, Cox, Stroup. 2nd Row, L to R: Klaver, Wands, Polack, Esquibel, White, Comeaux, Presswood, Smith, Villafera. 3rd Row, L to R: Forguson, Walter, C. D. Alexander, Delgado, Cole, Mazur, Stebbins, Van, Strong, Mestas. 4th Row, L to R: Engleke, Bouchard, Candelas, Miles, Hodge, Jackson, Quinones, Messmer, Grimes, Slack, DeLara.



COMPANY C



**Capt. Thomas F. Whalen,
Company Commander**



1st Row, L to R: WOJG Meacham, Nicula, Clemons, Cassell, SFC Embry. 2nd Row, L to R: Sgt. Marcone, J. L. Smith, Hansen, Evans, Manning, Medrano.

1st Row, L to R: M/Sgt. Tickle, Bariglio, Monett, McNally, SFC Soucie. 2nd Row, L to R: Pfc. Appleman, Birmingham, Szukala, Percival, G. Williams, Fraize, Pfc. Melia. 3rd Row, L to R: Pfc. Kilduff, Landsiedel, Montero, W. J. Williams, McCauley, Austin, Hicks, Sgt. Marcone. 4th Row, L to R: Pfc. McSwiggan, Estes, Dacek, Shelley, Poznanski, S. Jackson, Ferrie, Hause, Tharp, SFC Wiley.



"What happened to the First Armored Division Band asked civilians and military VIP's of Lampasas, Tex during the Long Horn Maneuver.

Unfortunately, there wasn't any music for the liberation of Lampasas. First Armored's Band was behind Charlie Company's barbed-wire enclosure for PW's—a Charlie Company held its own jazz session!

We've learned the technique of ambush long ago. It's easy when you're well trained in scouting and patrolling and company operations show how to sort worthless formation from the valuable.

We've found the company successful in combat is a company that stays one step ahead of the enemy.

1st Row, L to R: Lt. Johnson, Jenkins, Hord, Miguel, Connorton, M/Sgt. Baker. 2nd Row, L to R: Cpl. Brummer, Fieseler, Gibbons, Wyngaert, Manfra, Gallegos, SFC Dunn. 3rd Row, L to R: SFC H. A. Bailey, Livingston, Heetland, Arenivar, Keane, Douglas, Jedure, Pvt.-2 B. E. Smith. 4th Row, L to R: SFC Hopper, B. W. Smith, E. Graham, Karr, Reed, Garman, Villarreal, Maluchnik, Cpl. James.



1st Row, L to R: M/Sgt. Doherty, Spencer, Reid, J. L. Williams, Spaletta, Sgt. Quintana. 2nd Row, L to R: Cpl. Cirino, Evette, Ethridge, Blondek, Dionne, Purdy, Cardone, Sgt. King. 3rd Row, L to R: Pvt. Peek, Hook, Pate, Nicholson, R. G. Howe, Laroche, Bowman, Marotto, Pvt. Hosler. 4th Row, L to R: Pfc. Fernandes, Bryant, Cofield, Hurst, Degan, Grace, Rojas, Pvt. Anderson.

1st Row, L to R: Lt. McGaha, Rawls, Miller, Grajeda, Sgt. Wood. 2nd Row, L to R: Pfc. Schlutow, Melcher, Gonzales, Capella, Cullop, Holden, Pfc. Larsen. 3rd Row, L to R: Pvt. Romo, Doran, Hourihan, McGinnis, Huling, Alegria, T. D. Bailey, Pvt. J. E. Howe. 4th Row, L to R: Pvt. Middleton, B. G. Smith, J. L. Gomez, Mason, J. B. Jones, Sargent, Reedy, Sgt. Hyzy.



COMPANY D

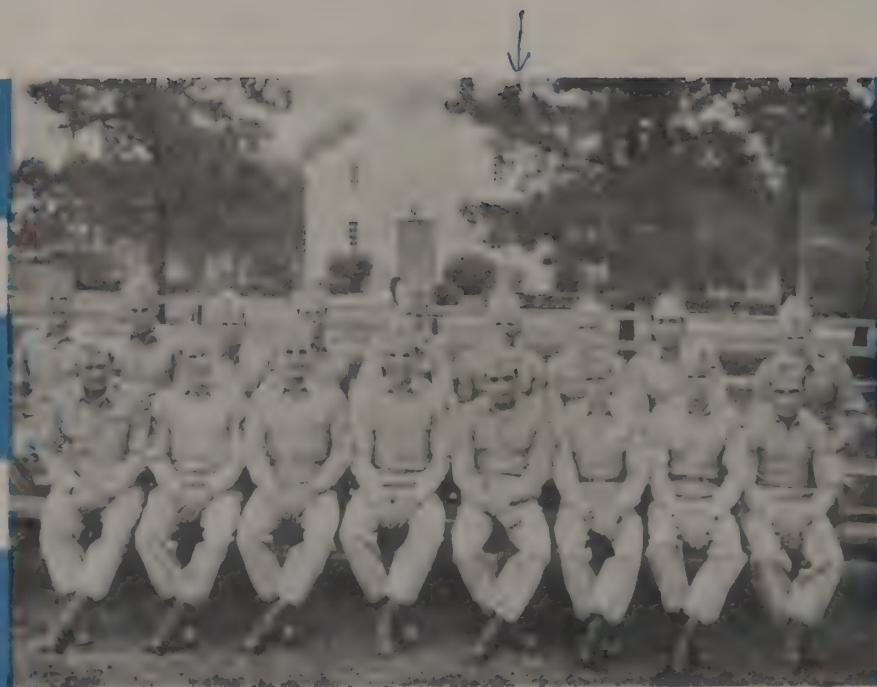
"When do the next Command Inspections begin?" men of Dog Company are eagerly asking. From our superior display you'd think our equipment just came from the warehouse, instead of almost continuous use in the field.

It takes plenty of elbow grease coupled with the 'know how' to gain a 'Superior' on inspections. If you can, use a few friendly hints, Dog Company's got a basket full of them.

We boast of a few trophies too. For dead ringers, take lessons from our horseshoe team, which walked away from the stakes as Post Champions in '51.



Capt. Anthony H. Alteri,
Company Commander



1st Row, L to R: WOJG Coward, Martin, Lucarini, Walters, Del Collo, Strack, Huddleston, Wukovich. 2nd Row, L to R: Pallang, Martine, Fiorentino, Willauer, Senior, Singleton, McMillan, Vasquez, Bissett.



1st Row, L to R: M/Sgt. Price, Hill, Costin, Maloney, Alvarez, Root, Kalish, Padgett. 2nd Row, L to R: Stuart, Russell, Smith, Levi, McCollum, Grissell, Lee, Glenn, Perkin, McCollum.



1st Row, L to R: Lt. Manos, Dunn, Saldivar, Rivera, Schulmeyer, Short, M/Sgt. Sova. 2nd Row, L to R: Koletti, Oroz, Nichols, Schumacher, Moye, Kaufman, Lewis, 3rd Row, L to R: Khattre, Govea, Krepel, Lackey, Lipke, Henton, Sewell. 4th Row, L to R: Lukcik, Shehan, Cockrum, Conrad, Buss, Simering, Vasquez, Cantoline.



1st Row, L to R: Lt. Beadles, DeHorse, Walker, Lawes, Jaskinia, M/Sgt. Gelber. 2nd Row, L to R: Shirley, Stoikes, Morris, Shaw, Luckado, Bergman, Bashkoian, Wright, Owens. 3rd Row, L to R: Kirk, Sosa, Dude. 1st Row, L to R: Lt. Beadles, DeHorse, Walker, Lawes, Holter, Ortiz, Schwichtenberg, Farley, Diaz, Culvey, Sauliner, Fernandez, Hamm. 4th Row, L to R: Spring, Rupp, Sartain, Fannin, Knutson, Lopez, Romo, Wyskowski, Spencer, DeBerno, Rodriguez, Wahal, Kostelnik.

HQ and HQ CO.



Major Vernon T. Mergler,
Battalion Commander



1st Lt. Richard Clark, S1



Capt. Paul Welch
S-3



Lt. Charles A. French
Company Commander

"... Headquarters Company Second Battalion, Charge of Quarters speaking, sir. Write three-hundred words for a . . . year book! What year book- Ohhhh, I get it. You want to know what Head Second's been doing for the past couple a years . . . somethin' like that —

"Hold it . . . lemme think. We could mention the praise we got as School Troops down at Fort Benning. No . . . ?

"Well, how about a few words on the invaluable training during Operation Southern Pines? Yeah, that sounds pretty good. Everybody's got the impression we're motorized! After trying to assault with tanks of the 3rd Cavalry Regiment all over the Fort Bragg Reservation, and we're supposed to be motorized?

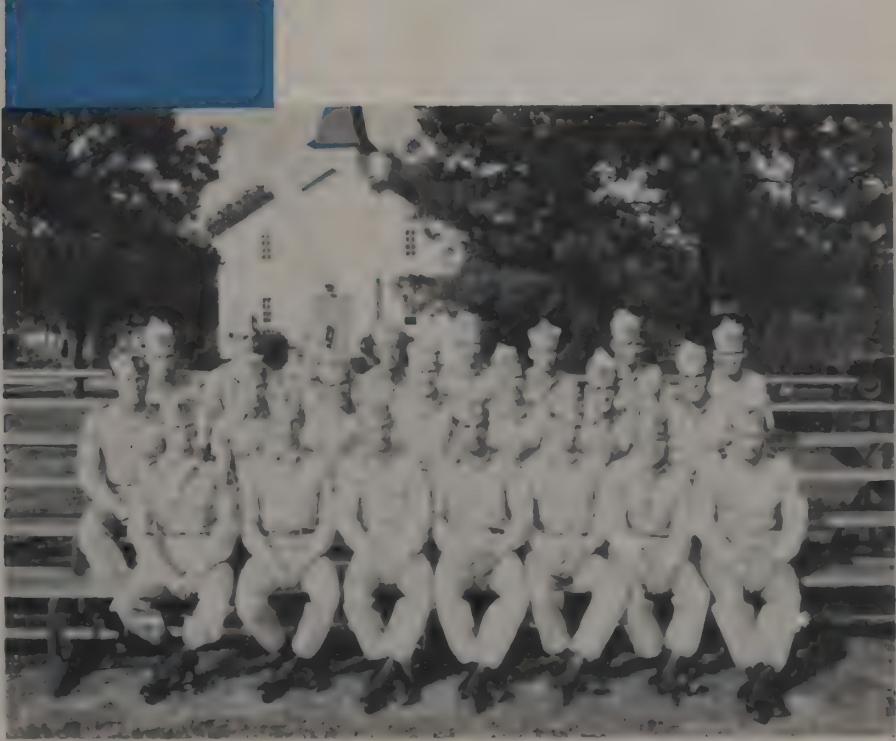
"Say! And Exercise Long Horn. Wanta know how busy we were out there? All right, all right, we won't mention that. Come to think of it, we've done so much work it'd take a year book all our own to tell about it . . . "

Bottom Row, L to R: M/Sgt. Cubser, Greer, Smith, Kupper, Dennis, M/Sgt. Houston. Second Row, L to R: L. Brown, Espriu, Griffin, Rogoish, Hilton, Russell, O'Brien. Third Row, L to R: Cason, A. Brown, Gilbert, K. Brown, Stover, McFarland, Robertson, E. Daigrepont, Pointer.



Bottom Row, L to R: SFC Tyson, McDonald, Rehm, Lowney. Second Row, L to R: T. Johnson, Stahler, Hall, Creasy, Farquhar, Kilroy. Third Row, L to R: Sonnichsen, Kirkley, Carroll, Howard, Lagerstrom, Ringel, Malinkey.

Bottom Row, L to R: Lt. Smith, Busson, Morris, Cruz, Wymore, Osif M/Sgt. Anderson. Second Row, L to R: Calmus, Desormeaux, F. Jackson, E. Johnson, Lutz, Rettzo, Spohr. Third Row, L to R: Gordon, Wages, Nielsen, Grainger, Dimick, Jenkins, Rupp, Marshall.



COMPANY E



1st Lt. Harold E. Dill,
Company Commander



Our deeds speak for themselves.

1st Row, L to R: M/Sgt. Ferguson, Malley, Mann, Eby.
2nd Row, L to R: Cart, McFarland, Weaver, Moyer,
Hansen.

1st Row, L to R: Lt. Preston, Bostock, Jansky, Farmer,
Ramsey, M/Sgt. Grodzicki. 2nd Row, L to R: Cart, Moss,
Pace, Murphy, Sexton, Reid. 3rd Row, L to R: Hill,
Snyder, Joyce, Arnett, Roberts, Hoskings. 4th Row, L to
R: Smith, Blankenship, Tilmon, Ahumada, Carpentier,
Cole, Finn.





1st Row, L to R: Lt. Stovall, Craft, Jackson, Long, Mulholland, M/Sgt. Ryan. 2nd Row, L to R: Lyons, Cooke, Owens, Molitor, Houle, Harris. 3rd Row, L to R: Dicks, Bain, Loux, Balko, Gilbert, Carnegie, Ostock, Williams. 4th Row, L to R: Sizemore, Kesling, Grimmett, Persinger, Cooper, Alvarez, Kucharek, Epperson.



1st Row. L to R: Lt. Moon, Gunn, Solomons, Stanton, Seibert, M/Sgt. Mikell. 2nd Row, L to R: Long, Gonnuscio, Ruetz, French, Jordy, Bonfiglio, Mustain, Schwartz. 3rd Row, L to R: Fraga, Goolsby, Gray, Jones, Carlos, Gentry, Spicer, Geren, Weyermann. 4th Row, L to R: Sortor, Palmtag, Clark, King, Brooks, Hajek, Seefeldt, Collins. Greer.



1st Row, L to R: Lt. Naylor, Baldwin, Barreras, Sgt. Ball. 2nd Row, L to R: Spiegler, Ludgate, Uhl, Tinsley, Beard, Howell. 3rd Row, L to R: Hughes, Torres, Peterson, Penteocst, Young, Luker, Rial. 4th Row, L to R: Anderson, Renneck, Hawley, Ayers, Barber, Jeffress.



Capt. Sherman K. Burke,
Company Commander

If a company can infiltrate through a division broad daylight, we'd say they're cagey as a fox. That us, of course — FOX Company! We're so adept at infiltration we can step on a dry twig and it only bends.

Course we won't allow that this knack for being fox comes naturally. You see, we've a secret training aid, o mascot — Freddy the Fox. But recently he went — oh, le say on extended vacation — last seen on Gruber Ro with travel orders and pay voucher. Guess Freddy cided we're just about as educated as a company ge so he moved on to instruct other FOX companies.

But we miss Freddy so much, we've ordered a n mascot — a SILVER FOX — for achievement!



1st Row, L to R: Lt. Hayes, WOJG Allen, Loftin, M/Sgt Fletcher. 2nd Row, L to R: Foist, Majzun, Folsom, White, Collins. 3rd Row, L to R: Medina, St. Pierre, Joyne, Selleck, Ploski.

1st Row, L to R: Lt. Benavitz, Guilianqo, Gagne, Krol, Boulet, SFC Lopez. 2nd Row, L to R: Heath, Duncan, Prieur, Russo, Daniels, Cruz, Galfi, Earley. 3rd Row, L to R: Gorman, Gaines, Perry, Calabrese, Garcia, Kudla, Knuepel. 4th Row, L to R: Hein, Arnett, Wesley, Robbins, Belcher, Nazworth, Lynch, Bowling, Fassell.





1st Row, L to R: SFC Bryan, Gialella, Wyant, Hussey, Fowler, Schiffett, SFC Long. 2nd Row, L to R: Owens, Anaya, Simmons, Rocha, Schenck, Keeler, Lindgren, Pearson, Arroyo. 3rd Row, L to R: Pecor, Martin, Head, Wilder, Smith, Bouvat, Hall, Southall, Mathis. 4th Row, L to R: Loomis, Seguine, Kean, Stevens, Shunstrom, Klingler, Rollins, Rigney, Moore, Knerr, Mikell.

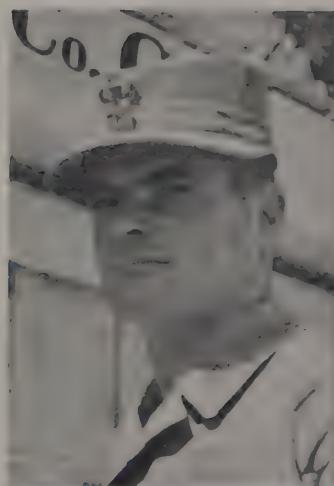


1st Row, L to R: Lt. Linn, Wise, Corderio, Oldham, Rivera, Phillips, M/Sgt. Murray. 2nd Row, L to R: Gillette, Reardon, Molinet, Lewis, Carroll, Cummins, Demuth, Brennan, DeRose, Keske. 3rd Row, L to R: Cruz, Hopkins, DiFlavio, Burden, Howard, Peltier, Terry, Jackson, Crehan, Brisker. 4th Row, L to R: Raffa, Valdez, Woody, McClelland, Cox, Naulty, Gulle, Sayer, Stone, Merritt, Bailey.



1st Row, L to R: M/Sgt. Cummings, Bryant, Szukalski, Cisewski, Krupp, SFC Leagjeld. 2nd Row, L to R: Lukowski, Phipot, Lavender, Guerra, Alvarado, Farris, Hofmair. 3rd Row, L to R: Carletta, Swain, Paulding, Wolfe, Zayas, Johnson. 4th Row, L to R: White, Hoffman, York, Scotko, Holland, Heard, Pate, Ricketts.

COMPANY G



Capt. James O. McKenna,
Company Commander



1st Row, L to R: L. G. Martin, Jenkins, Tucci, McCracken.
2nd Row, L to R: Lamey, Stein, Cummins, Wescoat.
3rd Row, L to R: Stangarone, Gordon, Becker.

1st Row, L to R: Lt. Bohen, Sharp, G. Encinas, L. Smith, Gruette, Closky, Woodruff, SFC Cox. 2nd Row, L to R: Barrineau, Alley, Snyder, Martinez, Morey, Bratt, Olsen, Stacy. 3rd Row, L to R: Schmalfeldt, Thornton, Almir, Quesenberry, Gerard, Manning, L. G. Smith, Bunker, Wallis, Kernstine, Helquist.



"Let George do it!" Seems as if we've heard that phrase somewhere before. It originated when George Washington was our young Country's Taskmaster. And you know, people still pass the buck to capable hands. That's why we think "let George do it" was hand-tailored just for us.

We've been fortunate — had a majority of our men since Operation Southern Pines. Through constant association we know the meaning of respect. Proud men can't be kept silent, so let us toot our horns just a little.

We can recall forced marches, cold rains, boggy earth, Texas dust, field exercises, garrison duties, SOP's, CPX's, demonstration teams, parades — all the mud, rain, snow, heat, odors, blistered feet, aching backs, grime and sweat — and we're still good. We know it, and we welcome anyone to say — "Let George do it!"



1st Row, L to R: M/Sgt. Lawbaugh, Burgess, Mahaffey, Giallanza, Zacharko, Trujillo, Varela, Cooper. 2nd Row: L to R: Davis, McKay, Villella, Winner, Bennett, White, Shipp, Edwards. 3rd Row, L to R: Blackman, Todd, Parker, Carpenter, Jude, Franks, Burchett. 4th Row, L to R: Daugherty, Potter, Deese, Leonard, Wheelock, Badish, Close, Byrne.



1st Row, L to R: Lt. Thomson, Sherman, Sykes, Tanno, Butler, L. R. Martin, Gasperini, M/Sgt. Sevits. 2nd Row, L to R: Chestnut, Stewart, C. Chapman, Cutting, Sweetman, Simpson, Poteat. 3rd Row, L to R: Willis, Randall, Boykin, Stevenson, Hirsch, Williamson, Allen, Chase, Gibbard, Perdue.



1st Row, L to R: M/Sgt. Tackel, Gonzalez, Mays, Laudicina, Caudillo, Dann, Palacios. 2nd Row, L to R: Mastishin, Hanselman, C. Jones, Brown, Young, Smith, Laciura, Cormier, Lester. 3rd Row, L to R: Davenport, Gonzales, Haberkorn, R. Jones, Coffey, Montgomery, Carlton, Flores, Garcia, Williams. 4th Row, L to R: Herman, Dahl, Bombalski, Hoskins, Blasczyk, Booth, Van Hook, Coe, Clark, Davis, Barker.

COMPANY H



Capt. Robert M. Shoemaker,
Company Commander

"The only sound we make, like a rattler, is when we strike!" On Exercise Long Horn men of Company "H" discovered a rattlesnake sleeping in a packing case. Mr. Rattlesnake wound up skinned and in the frying pan —

Men of "Royal Order of the Rattler" are equipped with weapons convincingly potent to make themselves feared and respected. "Just give us a fire mission and we'll show you how 'fire-power' got in the dictionary. If we're in hollerin' range and you need a road block or grazing fire, we'll send you up a couple a 'chatterin' heavies' to do th' job —

"Or if there's a pill box holdin' up th' works, we've got three 75-mm. Recoilless Rifles — then all you need's an ink blotter —

"Hey! You up there! Got a field phone handy? Yeah, we're right behind the last hill you just passed on your way up front — that's right, those 81-mm. mortars you saw in position. What! You ain't never heard of Hog Company? Well, hold th' phone, we got three little instruments back here playin' the most be-OO-ti-ful funeral dirge you ever heard —"



Bottom Row, L to R: WOJC Beech, Mabe, Alaniz, Chesser, Jenrette, Howe, M/Sgt. Wemple. Center Row, L to R: Starling, McBride, L. M. Brown, Klepp, Koch, Grooms, Kalendek, Poston, Cason. Top Row, L to R: Comeaux, Wangler, Torney, Bentley, Durham, Binnion, Wise, Felton, O. L. Jones.



Bottom Row, L to R: SFC Haydon, Bishop, Gibbons, White, Galbraith, Bates. Center Row, L to R: Camire, Mottola, Matosky, Bradley, Lyons, Conaway, D. H. Johnson. Top Row, L to R: Spressert, Stewart, Hahn, M. G. Martin, Foster, G. Hills, Ison.



Bottom Row, L to R: SFC Greene, Boddery, Harrison, Berry, Smith, Glaskox, Phillips. Center Row, L to R: Hodgden, DeMartino, J. D. Johnson, Pedro, Thomas, Williams, Harvey, Wyss, Chapman, Smiley. Top Row, L to R: Helson, Stafford, Durkin, Jobes, Hill, Hillman, West, Brown, D. L. Gray, Tunstalle, M. L. Wilson, Borchardt.



Bottom Row, L to R: Lt. Ward, Vawter, Martinez, Healey, Braswell, Cavaliero, Doughty, Mullins, M/Sgt. Mays. Center Row, L to R: Dutton, Cunningham, Underhill, Tomlin, Lindroth, Boylan, Broyles, Hart, Harper, Hunsaker. Top Row, L to R: Blakley, Vargas, McCarthy, Gray, Ruiz, Barrow, Townsel, Dodds, Waites, Wright.

HQ and HQ CO.

3rd BN



**Lt. Col. Joseph R. Dean,
Battalion Commander**



**Major Jerry Stuhrman,
Executive Officer**



Capt. Walter A. Dumas, S-1



**Capt. Anthony Lavite, Jr.,
Headquarters Company Commander**



1st Lt. Earl R. Hutchison, S-2



1st Lt. Jack Ireland, S-4

Here we are — home at last! Fort Bragg, that is — after our six month's tour as School Troops at Fort Benning. What's this? Replacements —? Some of our ole troopers who left the unit in 1950 have returned after seeing action in Korea. Welcome home, troopers, from a job well done.

Lots of work to be done in the Company area — let's see — barracks, dayroom and Battalion Headquarters all to be renovated. You did a fine job, P & A Platoon. And of course the motor pool worked overtime trying to make a vehicle look worthy of being owned by Head Third.

Training time once again. What's this? Secretary of Defense Lovett coming to Bragg? Oh — Operation Lovett — A Battalion mass jump. He couldn't make it, but we jumped anyway.

Christmas and New Year's — take a break, a well earned one.

Then you heard it whispered — Long Horn! Preparation, planning and work, everyone gets into the act. Our first campaign as the aggressor. We jump from tail gates into our new location, Texas! After making use of all available brooms to sweep the — oh, let's say dust, the Company settles down to what seemed like a promise of nice weather. Then the big jump. Too rough? Just right for Head Third. So here we are — waiting in anticipation for what the new year will bring.

Front Row, L to R: Week, Counts, Bailey, Hamilton, Jenkins, Steorts, M/Sgt. Odom. 2nd Row, L to R: Rubritz, Stewart, Williams, Tice, Richter, Belsha, Caiazzo, Ramey. 3rd Row, L to R: Padgett, Chelbush, Elliston, Herian, Symmonds, Huskey, Crowe, Pratt, Fix, Simonis.





Front Row, L to R: WOJG Kleckner, Pratt, Counts, Lt. Hedrick. 2nd Row, L to R: Symmonds, Chavez, Padgett, Richter, Buffalin, Caiazzo, Ramey. 3rd Row, L to R: Weck, Fix, Herian, Tice, Price, Johnson, Rodgers, Slade.



Front Row, L to R: Lt. Griffin, Schuck, Weidner, Grimes, M/Sgt. Mucha. 2nd Row, L to R: Brown, Ragan, Phillips, Wirth, Friend, Goodman, Spradling. 3rd Row, L to R: Rosenquist, Stamp, Tarver, Putnam, Rubio, Montalvo, Sweeny, Eckhardt, Panagacos.



Front Row, L to R: Lt. Walker, Brown, Miller, Saylor, Schnabel. 2nd Row, L to R: Morency, Scammahorn, Fisher, Bennett, Mullen, Kimmens, Hiner, SFC Boyd. 3rd Row, L to R: Badur, Tinney, Olivier, Smith, Chapman, Geer, Weis, McCoy, McCullough.

COMPANY I



Capt. Earl S. Dye,
Company Commander



Look at them! Yes, it's "I" Company. Do you have a mission to accomplish? This team is ready.

Readiness for combat is our objective. All training has this emphasis. Every man, squad, section, and platoon must be prepared to meet anything that might occur in combat. As a token of this high purpose we have adopted and applied "Speed and Violence" as our motto in athletics, as well as in all training activities. Here are a few examples of what we mean.

In a routine field exercise held near Fort Bragg, a night attack was ordered. "I" Company so deceived the maneuver enemy that we captured a unit mess complete with chow and proceeded to utilize it to the best advantage. Nothing less than an expert job!

On exercise Long Horn, "I" Company took second place to no one even though operations were in strange and different type terrain. On one mission the entire Company moved at night without detection through an armored-Infantry battalion over an unreconnoitered area. Complete surprise gained by the move prevented the enemy division from completing its assigned mission and forced them to commit their reserve. This maneuver won the praise of all commanders.

While bivouaced in preparation for the maneuver in Texas, "I" Company men chose to take weekend excursions to the Colorado River instead of going to the nearby towns of San Antonio, Houston, or Temple, thus combining their pleasure with hardy exercise.

Upon return to Fort Bragg in April, we were pleased to find many new men eager to join the Company. Many came who had airborne experience in Korea and some who had trained in other regiments. These with the airborne blood of some brand new jumpers fill out the Company for new training in teamwork.

"We're speedy and violent, at night very silent —
If you've a mission and a time for completion,
The name is 'Item'— We're ready to fight'em.

Front Row, L to R: Lt. Strawser, Sinks, Wuest, Zinke, W. E. Moore, SFC Bailey. 2nd Row, L to R: Clark, Cobey, Webb, Hosenfeld, Melton, Mix, Beebe, Campbell.



Front Row, L to R: SFC Putman, Cancilla, Truitt, Tovar, Williams, Vails, Malone, Champner. 2nd Row, L to R: Porch, Int-Hout, Moracco, Lyda, McNalley, Lerma, Holt, Wagner. 3rd Row, L to R: Downey, Vance, Wells, J. R. Sutton, Brooks, George, Chambers, T. H. Bravo, Wammock, Yates.



Front Row, L to R: SFC Beachnaw, Sparrow, Triplet, Spicarich, Householder, Harroun, Richards. 2nd Row, L to R: Carpenter, Frank, Johnson, Meyer, Lopez, Fisher, Szymanski, Bravo, Prough. 3rd Row, L to R: Flores, Berrian, Ramos, Blazier, Pezzi, Phillips, McGrath, Midkiff, E. E. Moore, C. Johnson, Inscore.



Front Row, L to R: SFC Grogg, McGehee, Price, Barken Ward, Rosenberg, SFC Gambill. 2nd Row, L to R Brown, Ault, Briody, Forest, Waldrop, Oliver, Fouts M. K. Wells, Janke. 3rd Row, L to R: Henderson Turner, Vincent, Robinson, O'Connor, Gilkey, Maronne Boswell, Piercy, Merritt, Graham, Pace, Steed.



Front Row, L to R: SFC McGinnis, Mille Olsen, G. D. Hernandez, A. Garcia, Nochols, Lopp, SFC Richard. 2nd Row, L to R: Cota, Kopp, Gomez, Karam, Russell, Norton, Lalonde, Utsler, Lamson. 3rd Row, L to R: Rivera, Warren, Meier, Jacques, Toston, Ahonen, Warner, Urban, McKeen, Pedroza, Holt.

COMPANY K



Capt. Robert H. Seigrist,
Company Commander



KING — of the 325th. Smoke still hovers over Benning. Who ram-rodded Parachute Maintenance's job on "KING'S" weapons are yet recuperating.

KING only picked up momentum after leaving Benning. Who ram-rodded Parachute Maintenance's job on DZ Able and Baker during Exercise Southern Pines? Who carried away the intra-mural softball trophies for '49 and '50?

We know of a couple more units that will long remember KING. First Armored's still wondering how we marched through their lines to aid in securing Objective Horse on the Texas maneuver. At Cowhouse Creek a certain 'Dixie' Division remembers our stand, and a few other units dare not mention Canham Raiders detail with their radar station 'Massacre.'

KING! The versatile, the athletic, the rugged — the royalty of the 325th.

1st Row, L to R: M/Sgt. Curtis, Thompson, Harker, Sitton, Williamson, Angelos. 2nd Row, L to R: Fauth, Nesler, Curry, Cole, Deaver, Zimmerman, Crider, Hopkins.



1st Row, L to R: SFC Latham, Chatman, Lyons, Romero, De Leon, Healy, Garrett. 2nd Row, L to R: Wall, Jodon, Yanochik, Hamilton, Hodges, Robinson, Graves, Cummings, Reed. 3rd Row, L to R: Ferraro, Chapman, Howland, Grenados, Griffin, Foss, Given, Meeks, Wyatt, Bishop, Thomas.



1st Row, L to R: Lt. Stockton, Gambalorta, Hessley, Allen, Chevez, M/Sgt. Killian, Hill. 2nd Row, L to R: Hernandez, Ray, Wermlinger, Hockett, Potts, Russell, Wickersham, Hamilton. 3rd Row, L to R: Bacerra, Sheehy, Wallace, Greenlee, Grant, Singleton, Walker, Frost, Fowler, Childress, Miller, Hoke.



1st Row, L to R: SFC Hardgrove, Madrigal, Burns, Cahill, Pratt, Manning, Rodriguez, Knighton, Aronis. 2nd Row, L to R: Garner, Landry, Ferrell, Smith, Stedman, Waldren, Sutton, Koury, Johnson, Pellegrine. 3rd Row, L to R: Currin, Williams, Jones, Killian, White, Jackson, Spayd, Mull, Tillman, Weems, Skutack.



1st Row, L to R: SFC Walker, Schnell, Kuhn, Fisher, Symmonds, Erwin. 2nd Row, L to R: Blair, Purfor, Patterson, Bartlett, Ehrhardt, Harvel, Miles, Jennings. 3rd Row: Nagales, Reel, Cabrera, Anglin, Still, Robinson, LeCourt, Bills, Bellamy. 4th Row, L to R: Nielsen, Peet, Mroz, Davis, Tolliver, Largay, Wallace, Beach, Dawkins, Paulavish, Munger, Mundy.

COMPANY L



1st Lt. Edward J. Collins,
Company Commander

Unlike so many organizations which base their "claim to fame" on their ability to do one particular job better than any other comparable organization, Company "L", 325th Airborne Infantry Regiment, believes that by doing its best in each and every job, it need only point to the records to substantiate its motto, "Leaders of the 325th."



1st Row, L to R: 1st Lt. Bynum, Aponte, Provencal, Koscielski, 1st Sgt. Barry. 2nd Row, L to R: Stahl, Aviles, Ho, Welcome, Williamson, M/Sgt. Cooper. 3rd Row, L to R: Sharp, Pari, DeWitt, O'Connor, Murphy, Watkins. 4th Row, L to R: McKinney, Vetro, Burns, Sallas, E. J. Crans, Cordova.

1st Row, L to R: M/Sgt. Pearce, Gomez, Griffin, Bauer, Bennett, Wellhouse. 2nd Row, L to R: Maidl, A. S. Morris, Acosta, Wright, Watson, Jewell, Truman. 3rd Row, L to R: Doherty, F. D. Jones, Harter, F. W. Dickey, Young, Trotter, Herritt, Irby, Arnold. 4th Row, L to R: Allen, Worth, Schultz, Blair, Brotherton, Tolhurst, Arbanas Burton, Pippin, Dietzler, Templeton.





1st Row, L to R: Lt. Sappenfield, Peak, Wyman, Scott, B. Wilson, M/Sgt. Pinney. 2nd Row, L to R: Casler, Lafond, Juarez, Chesters, H. S. Crans, J. M. Jones, Fox, R. D. Smith. 3rd Row, L to R: Woosley, Krone, Vinson, Landsaw, Buendia, B. G. Wilson, Watts, Tremaine, Sowards. 4th Row, L to R: Moore, Schroyer, Law, R. O. Wilson, Gemzer, Bowman, White, Wingate, Vasquez, Chesney, Carrick, McBroom.



1st Row, L to R: Lt. Wells, Jett, King, Weaver, Mason, Posten, Consalvi, M/Sgt. Lewis. 2nd Row, L to R: Lane, Clarke, Weston, W. E. Johnson, Cummings, Santucci, T. K. Williams, Platt. 3rd Row, L to R: Mullins, Souza, R. V. Johnston, Underhill, Bohanan, Stanley, M. O. Jones, Slaughter, Aicken. 4th Row, L to R: Conrad, McCarthy, O. Smith, Stafford, R. L. Jones, Gosewehr, Thornton, Holmes, Sparks, Kniess, Hughes, R. L. Wilson.



1st Row, L to R: Lt. Calvert, A. D. Johnson, Kunz, C. R. Wilson, Woodal, C. Morris, V. W. Williams, M/Sgt. Stefanski. 2nd Row, L to R: Paul, Barnhill, Vickers, Wiersma, Pavey, Skaggs, Douglas, Mixon, D. L. Woods, Willis. 3rd Row, L to R: Kight, Bell, Whaley, Reed, Zindel, R. L. Williams, Red Paint, Wimmersberg, Maple, Phillips, Kulbeck, Elders. 4th Row, L to R: Hodges, Peavey, Goral, Eppard, Gooch, Brannon, Etsitty, Prevette, Wochinski, Wallace, Helseth, Colbt.

COMPANY M

"When things get too rough for everybody else, it's just right for us—" These words, so often expressed by dynamic Captain 'Charlie B.' Wagner, are the bywords of men who proudly call "M" Company their home.

During Exercise Long Horn we enjoyed the chow of 'Kruddy' Keslar, served by 'Smilin' Spaghetti' McAuley. And one of the things we won't forget is the long, long trench we dug at San Angelo, Texas.

You'll be hearing about us in athletics. So far we're undefeated in league softball. With Jess Hardison and Captain Wagner as the battery, we're looking forward to a successful year. We're expecting big things of Bill Tant, our diving expert who'll compete in the forthcoming swim meets in the Georgia State Meet and also North Carolina Meets. Big Jim Rebol will be out on the gridiron again next fall, where he played first string guard on the Regimental Team.

With other men as Ron Pampel, Russian Krupa, Carl (Hard Boiled) Fisher, Lovely Yanora, and of course our four men of the hour, Lieutenants O'Brien, Hardesty, Carmichael (Little Charlie B.), and 'Wogee' Townsend, the company will continue to be—"MIGHTY 'M' COMPANY."



Capt. Charles B. Wagner,
Company Commander



1st Row, L to R: Lt. O'Brien, Mr. Townsend, M/Sgt. Pampel, Krupa, Freeman. 2nd Row, L to R: Sayas, Mussett, Mitzen, Goodman, McAuley, Tant, Zvanut, Rebol. 3rd Row, L to R: Stabler, Combs, White, Dimick, Hill, Godzisz, Potter, Williams. 4th Row, L to R: Donnelly, Savage, Sarver, Cootware, Waldrop, Felch, Haner, Cooper, Holland, Chipman.



1st Row, L to R: SFC Wilde, Romero, Lumpkin, Lockridge, Daniels, Peddigree. 2nd Row, L to R: Trainer, O'Conner, Brown, Harris, Coulson, Rangel, Gatlin, Taylor, Lewis. 3rd Row, L to R: Bass, Coogler, Joyner, Johnson, Kelley, Evans, Gerbo, Jarman, Soto, Gomez.



1st Row, L to R: SFC Yanora, Copes, Montano, Makosky, Teer, Smith. 2nd Row, L to R: Sullivan, Estep, Kelly, Walker, Anderson, Karsch, Slattery. 3rd Row, L to R: Hale, Holland, Hobson, Volk, Dorman, Alphen, Ross, Sliger, Underwood. 4th Row, L to R: Smith, Murphy, Ferris, Graham, Beeler, Cochran, Maio, Gunnerson.



1st Row, L to R: M/Sgt. Fisher, Pickering, Berg, Brown, Parks, Bibby. 2nd Row, L to R: Stansell, Colter, MacDonald, Johnson, LaBadie, Gordon, Hamerly, Tindol, Ramirez. 3rd Row, L to R: Goff, Hill, Atkinson, Johnson, Browner, Caruso, Hanson, Gonzalez, Sleeper, Pugh. 4th Row, L to R: Godwin, Pope, Kinnevan, Zunich, Hall, Naughton, Duffy, Burris, Chandler, Cooley, Swindle, Dommert.

SCHOOL TROOPS



Troopers load on two-and-a-halves
to go down to Ft. Benning as school troops.



A unit of the 325th cuts a picturesque pose as it stands as honor guard for a visiting dignitary in the quartels of Ft. Benning.

On February 6th, 1951 the 325th was ordered to proceed to Fort Benning from Fort Bragg. Their mission? School troops. This consisted of tactical demonstrations and the supplying of men for assistant instructors in the various weapons found in an infantry regiment. The regiment did this for six months. The over-all rating given it when it left was excellent.



This was one of the many groups used to assist in the training of officers and men in Fort Benning. A 75 mm recoilless rifle crew from H company, they are from left to right, Pfc. Conoway, Cpl. Lara, Cpl. Tirpak, and Sgt. Ison. Troopers such as these staged the famed "mad minute" tactical demonstration for foreign generals, VIPs and military personnel.



Cpl. Michael Campbell, B Company, demonstrating the flame thrower.



A Benning Inspection



Fox Company loads up on an M39 personnel carrier for a raid behind the U. S. force's lines. Action of this type was characteristic of the Aggressor action in Southern lines.



The Aggressor Forces were outnumbered ten to one, facing the 28th Division, the 43rd Division and the 504 and 505 regiments of the 82nd Airborne Division. The 325th specially delighted in embarrassing their brethren regiments with their tactics, only in this instance the opposite was the case with an 82nd Military Policeman having the upper hand.



Major General Thomas F. Hickey
82d Airborne Division Commander
16 October 1950 — 31 January 1952

Exercise Southern Pine

From Fort Benning the 1st and 2nd Battalions of the 325th went to Camp McCall where they set up base camp for their future operations in the maneuver called Exercise Southern Pine. The 1st Bn. was designated the 121st Parachute Rifle Battalion of the 9th Airborne Division. The 2nd Battalion was known as the 29th Mechanized Infantry Battalion of the 33rd Aggressor Tank Division, 3rd Cavalry.

Having just demonstrated all types of combat problems, using live ammunition, the battalions found their coordination with tanks, artillery, and air support was accomplished with ease. The battalion commanders were of the opinion that their battalions were at as high a state of training and organization as they had ever seen any unit outside of actual combat.

The 3rd battalion missed the maneuvers, staying in Bragg and pulling Post Guard and training.



The generals had "administrative breaks" too.



"See your two and raise it a thousand."



The foxhole shaving kit comes into use.



Machine gun and 81 mm mortar teams from Company "D" try to out "Action" their competitors.

ARMED FORCES FIELD DAY

In competition in the Division the 325th took: 3rd place with the 4.2 mortars of Support Company. 3rd place with the 90 mm guns of Support Company. 1st place in the grenade throw SFC Hardy Fox Company. 3rd place in the grenade throw Cpl. Galbraith Hog Company. 1st place in the tent pitching courtesy of Easy Company.

"Log lifting" calisthenics by the 325th team.



Easy company troopers, Cpl. J. L. Jones & J. W. Kesling pitch their first place tent.





Uniformity is the word for the 325th guideon bearers.



On Armed Forces Day visitors are invited to see how the 82nd Airborne Division operates and lives. Here are some families and friends of men from the 3rd Bn. Headquarters Company inspecting.



Able Company drill team under M/Sgt. Gann displays the snappy precision which made it the entry team of the 325th Regiment.

M/Sgt. Charlie G. Cooper, Company "L", makes his bid for first place in the "spot jumping" event.



REVIEWS AND PARADES

After every maneuver comes the reviews and parades and inspections that sometimes makes one wish maneuvers hadn't ended so soon. Preliminary rifle instruction and range come after these. The reviews and parades after Southern Pine and Longhorn are lumped together on these pages.



Maj. Gen. Thomas F. Hickey, commanding General of the 82nd Airborne Division, views the troops of the 325th Regiment in the Division review of October, 1951.



Company "C" troopers pass in review during the regimental review held upon Col. Stanley R. Larsen's assuming command of the Regiment 22 September, 1951.



2nd Battalion troopers pass in review at a Division review held on the Division Parade Field October, 1951.



Five Korean veterans are decorated by Col. Larsen at his review. Left to right they are: 1st Lt. Vickery, Capt. Pickett, 1st Lt. Bynum, Capt. Neighor and Capt. Miller

I LOVE A PARADE

Most people who watch a full-dress Division parade don't know the details and painstaking care taken by the men parading to look their best. The shining of shoes, the polishing of brass, the nicely starched khakis just put on. The sizing of men, the placing of weapons, the sweat and pain of the steel helmet pressing on your forehead. The grouping and regrouping, the wait standing at parade rest and attention. Sometimes it's worth it.



We dress up ourselves, and our equipment.



We group on the regimental parade field and march down to the Division parade field.



After everyone gets to the parade field, 10,000 or so, the colors are massed.



We're reviewed by the General.



Awards are presented.



then us.



And it's over, we march back to our area.

CLUBS AND ENTERTAINMENT

The Troopers of the 325th work hard for the Regiment but we also pause a while in between chores and enjoy ourselves.



all the trimmin's!



Sgt. James G. Angelos dances with his wife, Vivian, at an NCO party.



Fire at will, Gridley!



the gangs all here

NCO's will long remember Bruce 'Bubbles' Becker and his Orchestra.



Just Lookin'



Formation



Coke Dates



Shucks!

There Were Prop Blasts

HUT — thousand.

Athlete's foot — the medicine, Doc."

"Hi, there, yourself!"

Capt. Williams tries for the bull's eye.

Everyone got blasted — period.

"It ain't always the opening shock," says Lt. Col. Joseph R. Dean, Commanding Officer, 3rd Bn.

"Hey? Where'd ya hide all that turkey?"



Troopers and their wives of Company "E" enjoy Thanksgiving dinner.



3rd Battalion-Headquarters Company is well represented.



FIELD PROBLEMS AND TRAINING

It's only right that after the reviews and parades that we should have field problems. And we do, in preparation for Longhorn.

The Tank-Infantry Team in the Attack demonstration put on by Fox Company at Latham Impact Area proves interesting to the troopers of the 325th.



Pvt. Willie P. Richardson, Hq. Co. 2nd Bn. sends a message while operating the Battalion switchboard during a field problem in October of '51.



Troopers of the 3rd Bn. show how the infantry can stop a tank attack by use of the 3.5 rocket launcher.



the Browning automatic rifle,



and the 57 mm recoilless rifle.



325th troopers are "homeward bound" after witnessing the Tank-Killer demonstration.



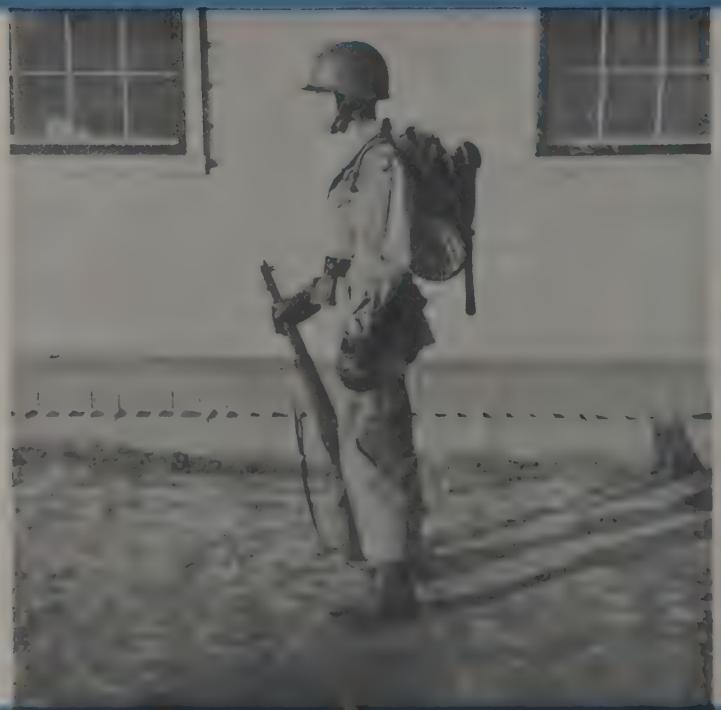
Lt. Col. William A. Locke, former commanding officer of the 2nd Bn. (right) is shown discussing the Battalion field problem held in October 1951, with Maj. Alton Shipstead and Capt. Welch (left) S3 and S2 respectively.



Lt. Gen. Frank W. Millburn, Inspector of Infantry, from the Office of the Chief of Army Field Forces, has a brief talk with Pvt. Gene R. Simard, Company "I", during an inspection of the Third Battalion field problem which took place in early December 1951. Standing at the right of Gen. Milburn is Lt. Col. Joseph R. Dean, C.O. Third Battalion.



M/Sgt. George W. Odom of Company "I" and Gen. Milburn discuss old times during a 3rd Bn. field problem. M/Sgt. Odom served under the General's command in World War II in Europe.



A paratrooper of the 325th readies himself for Division CPX at Fort Bragg, N. C.

The P & A Platoon of 1st Bn. accepts congratulations from Col. Smith upon the speedy construction of a bridge during a field problem.



And for work well done Pvt. Renna, Company "A", receives a three day pass from Captain Kane for his alertness and aggressiveness in capturing the Division Commander, General Hickey, on a field problem.

"One message on the way." Cpl. Daigrepont, Nielsen, Anderson, and Lt. Smith of Hq 2nd Bn. Commo Section on the job.



Cpl. Federov and the Hq & Hq Co. Intelligence and Reconnaissance Platoon are congratulated by Col. Larson on the completion of the march of the platoon around the entire perimeter of the Fort Bragg Military Reservation, a distance of more than eighty miles. Cpl. Federov set a fine example of spirit and determination when after the fourth day he found he could not wear his boot due to soreness of his right foot, so he hiked the last twenty miles with only the aid of a bandage on his foot.

FOOTBALL - 325th

11 - 6 508th (Practice game at Benning)
 31 - 6 Pope Field (Practice game)
 6 - 0 Special troops
 29 - - 6 507th
 68 - 0 20th Eng.
 48 - - 12 3420 ASU
 19 - 13 Div. Arty.
 0 - - 12 505th
 27 - - 14 81st

299 - 69 Opponents

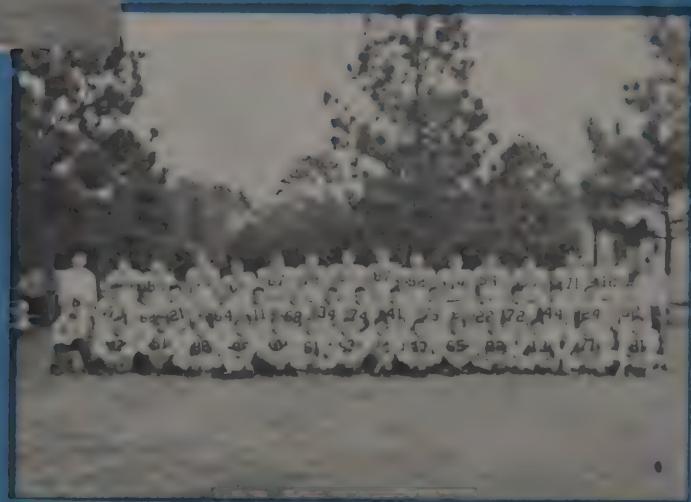
325th won 8, lost 1 - Tied for second in post league

Sports

During '51 we landed up near the top. In 1952 if Col. Larsen and the men of the 325th have anything to say about it we'll hit the peak.



with a cloud of dust



1951 Football Team

BASKETBALL - 325th

45 --- 36 Campbell College
46 --- 63 Spec. Troops
72 --- 73 504th
63 --- 57 Pope Field
42 --- 57 Div. Arty.
52 --- 72 AFF Board #1
18 --- 56 505th
58 --- 38 112 FA Group
60 --- 42 Spec. Troops
64 --- 79 504th
34 --- 40 Pope Field
63 --- 73 U. of North Carolina
59 --- 52 Div. Arty.
56 --- 68 AFF Board
54 --- 59 505th
67 --- 68 112 FA Group

325th won 5 lost 11 — Came in third in the league



In



Football Rally



Capt. Dillon, Football team coach



At Campbell College

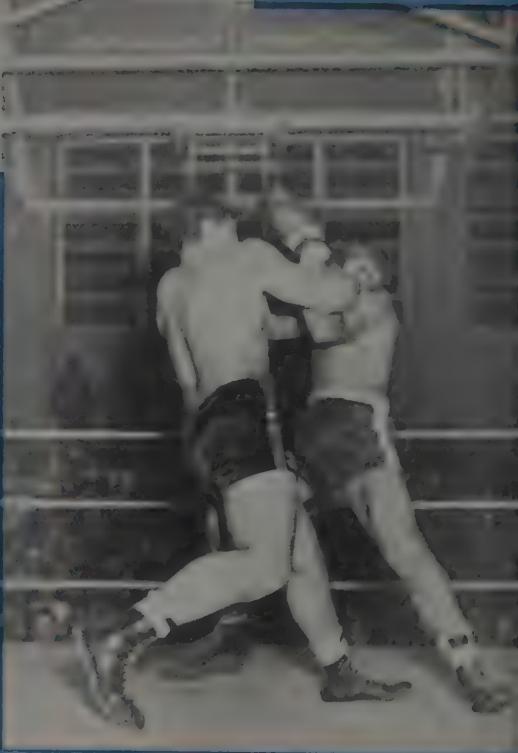


Jimmy Roybals — Third army Champ.



Featherweight Roybals smashes ribs.

Down for the count.



Vasquez, the bull, charges



1951 Boxing Team.



E. M. Bowling — 1951-52

1st Row: Molitor, Homberger, Ahonen, Thornber.
2nd Row: Lipke, Haught, Grimley, Gray.



Officer Bowling Team

Bottom: CWO. Jackson, Col. Larsen, Capt. Dillon.
Top: Capt. Williams, Lt. Metcalf, Lt. Aschwald, Capt. Lapke



Col. Larsen accepts Horseshoe Trophy from Kilpatrick,
Haught, Gross and Kegley.



1951 Baseball team

BASEBALL, 325th - 1951

2	---	3	1st Stu. Reg.	0	---	16	I.S.D.
13	---	0	2nd Stu. Reg.	5	---	2	1st Stu. Reg.
4	---	12	ASU Prov. Group	8	---	0	Prov. Med.
4	---	3	Prov. Med. Group	5	---	2	C.T.C.
2	---	0	Combat Trng. Command	7	---	0	2nd Stu. Reg.
13	---	6	I.S.D.	5	---	1	3440 ASU
2	---	11	1st Stu. Reg.	7	---	6	I.S.D.
12	---	3	2nd Stu. Reg.	7	---	3	3440 ASU
15	---	9	3440 ASU	1	---	7	1st Stu. Reg.
5	---	4	Prov. Med.	8	---	4	Prov. Med.
3	---	9	Combat Trng. Command	7	---	5	2nd Stu. Reg.
6	---	9	I.S.D.	10	---	5	C.T.C.



Portsider Moore ready to fire a fast one.



Schiro gives pointers to McCloud.

PLAYOFFS

325th	-	1st Stu. Reg.
4	---	10
7	---	5
11	---	7

325th won Ft. Benning
championship

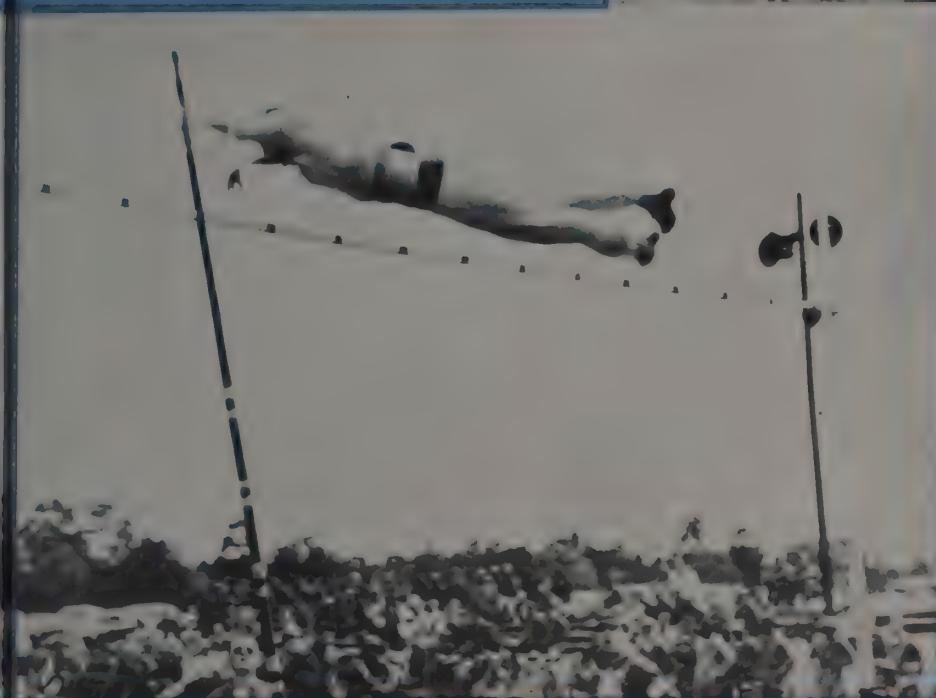


Lucas 'out by a mile' as Kelley awaits tag.

Daniels pacing



Over the bar goes Kuenheisun.



The Ft. Benning Champs



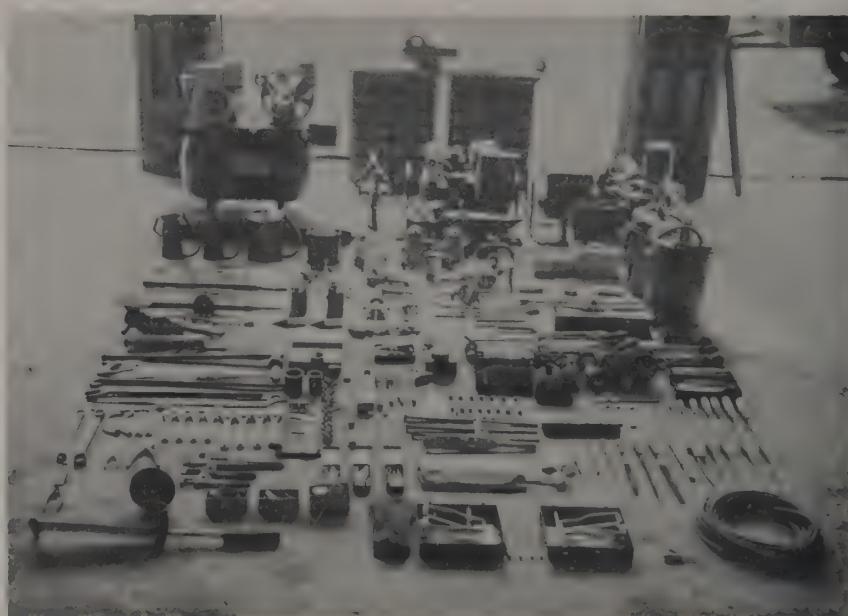
The 325th AIR in perfect alignment on the Regimental Parade field awaits the inspecting teams in the Command Inspection held in October of 1951.



And this is the way each one looks to the inspector.

Inspections

Although it's sometimes hard to believe, inspections are for the purpose of getting a unit in fighting trim.



The mechanic's tool set —



the field cooking utensils.

The 4.2 mortars from Support Company get into the act.—



The "nines" — too big for the parade field.



The little weapons that pack the wallop the enemy crumples under.



If he hasn't found it out by now, then this is the time when a trooper knows he's important and a part of a team.—



with a mutual trust.



Good inspections, like parades, take a lot of time,



And a lot of work.



Support Company knows of a job well done,



As does this trooper.



THE LONG HORN STORY



our way — gas fumes and sack lunches.



ing our areas — The T



They were pretty at night — and warm.



Old Glory over our new home —



The Boss was there — wearing a smile!

What does it eat?

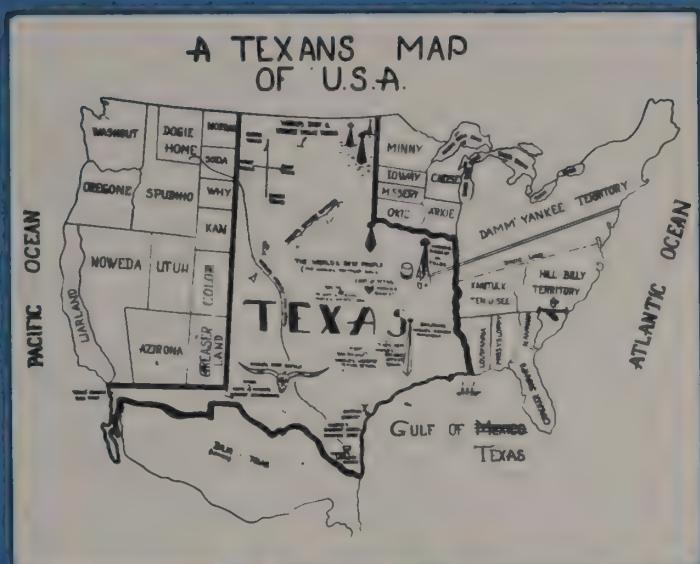




We went on Pass



Training once again — First Battalion started the ball rolling.



We learned about Texas.



We got a new Regimental Commander when Colonel Larsen was injured during the maneuver jump.



The maneuver started. Notice trooper in center of photograph. He pulled his reserve and landed safely.

We attacked on foot —





and on tanks



"We hit them hard." Mohawk raiders of Able Comp

At double ford of the Colorado River where the 508th RCT had parachuted.



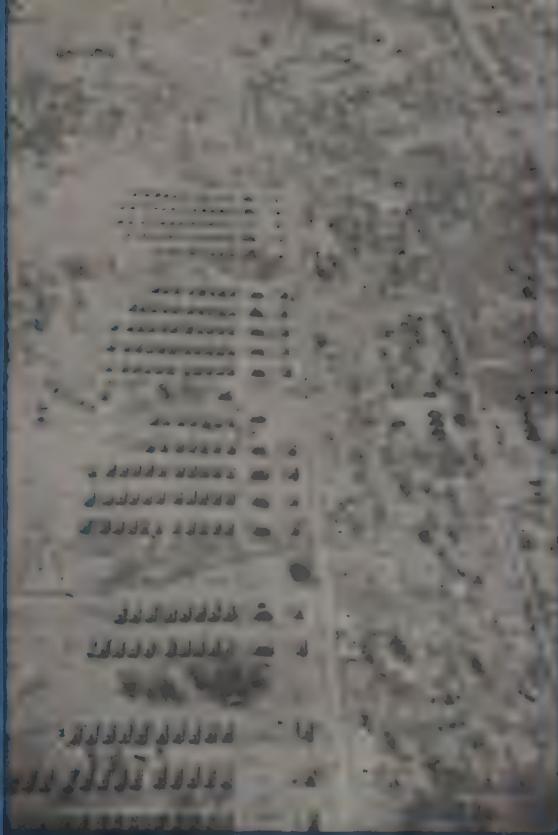
Then we prepared to resist more fiercely —



And we won a few trophies. General Cleland can verify he was along when Easy and George Company nabbed the 'Dixie' Division's forward CP sign.



"Officially" THEY won, and we loaded



for base camp.



But our tents were gone when we arrived.
So we slept in these for the duration —



"Car'olina in the mornin'!"



A day ahead of schedule!



SPECIAL ACTIVITIES

The job had to be done, so these first three graders of "K" Company chip in to help.



"Another cup of coffee, Sir?" says this DRO as he serves Maj. Gen. Hickey after he had just presented the "Best Mess of the Division Award" for November 1951 to the Mess Personnel of Support Company.



Well, he ain't egzactly what you'd call a St. Berndrd —

Bishop Vincent S. Waters is shown addressing the Catholic men and women of Fort Bragg who await to receive the Holy Sacrament of Confirmation.



Forced landing —



Best foot



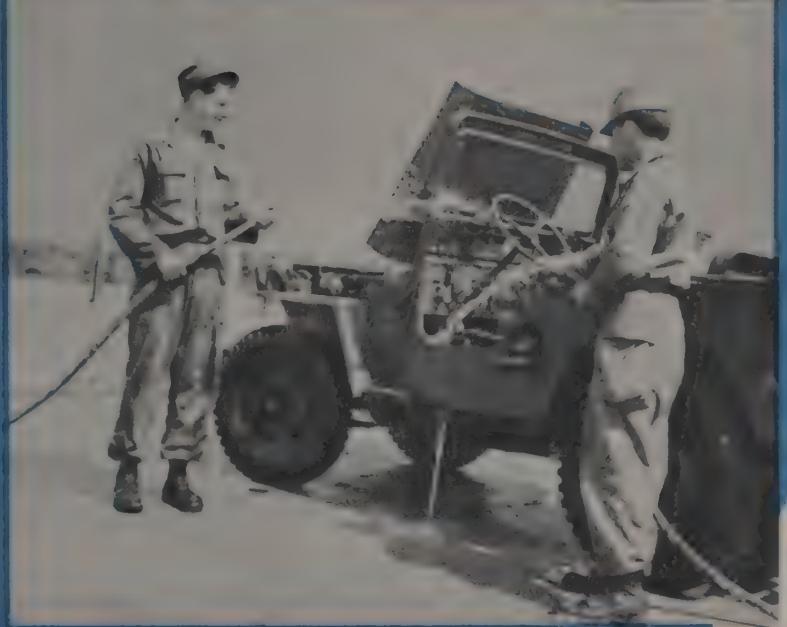
The 'late' Freddy of Fox Company



It's a Cadillac?



Teamwork



The last of Texas dust



The ears of a regiment



Wait! Wait! I work here!



Got the constitution of a mule



It's Merry Christmas to the men of the 187th Regimental Combat Team stationed in Korea from Captains Siegrist and Wagner.



1st. Lt. Warren Malone, USAF, from McKinney, Texas, and M/Sgt. Charlie G. Cooper, Company "L", from Paris, Texas, discuss the route of flight to DZ Sicily North. Imagine living only 30 miles apart in the "Lone Star" State. Lt. Malone flew the C-46 aircraft from which M/Sgt. Cooper made his 310th parachute jump.



The All-Catholic Honor Guard from Company "A" await the arrival of Bishop Vincent S. Waters, Raleigh, North Carolina, at the Main Post Chapel.

M/Sgt. Swetish of "G" Company is holder of a world's record for a total of 123 jumps in one day. On the 4th of July, 1950, M/Sgt. Swetish began jumping before dawn, and when he had made his 123 jump, 20 better than any previous record, the sun had set. His only injury was a twisted knee on the 50th jump, but not serious enough to stop the determined Sgt.





Ready?



Way out there beyond center field.



Painting helmets for a parade.



"Important poop!"

EVERDAY ACTIVITIES

There's lots of humor and pathos in Army life. It isn't all a steady grind of training and field work for the trooper. During garrison there's plenty of activity to keep him amused, in good mental and physical condition.



Target practice.



Wheeeeeee!



Operator! Operator! #\$&@¢ Operator!





What d'ya think, Doc?



The door that never closes —



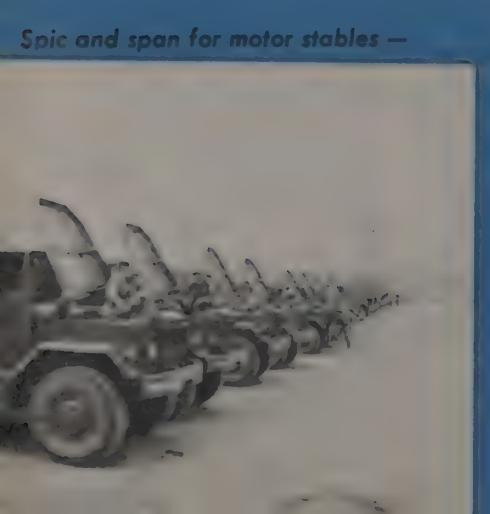
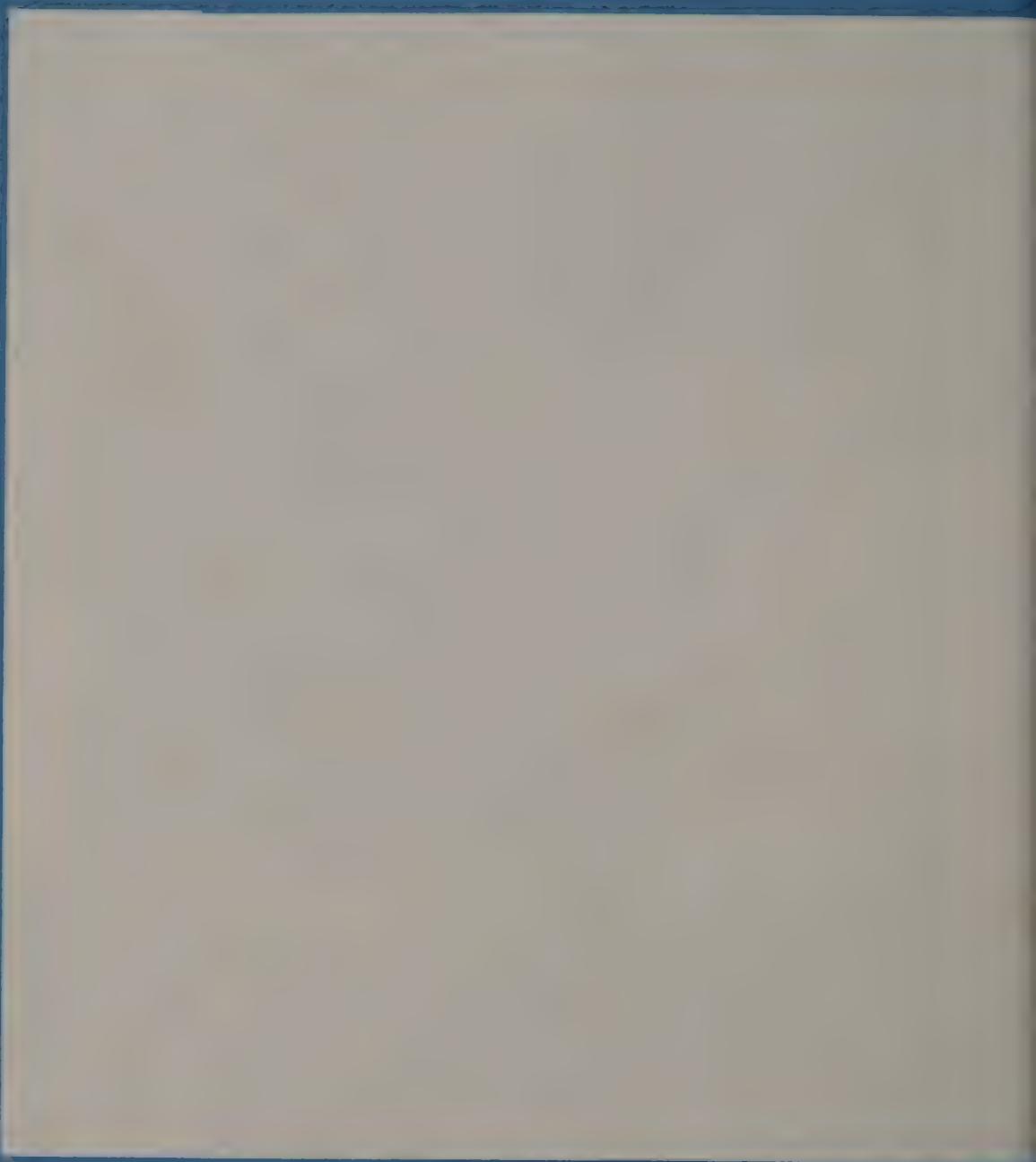
Guard Mount's longest minute —



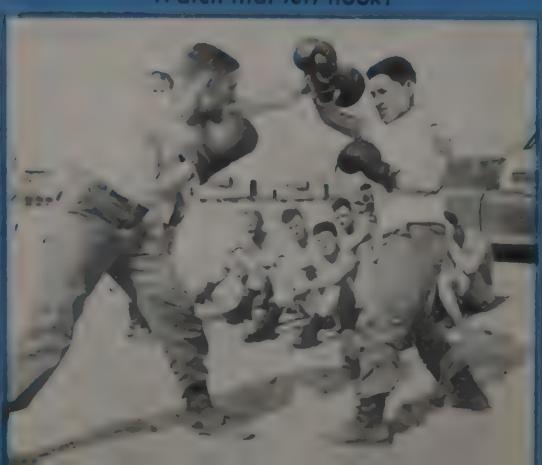
Thrown for a loss —



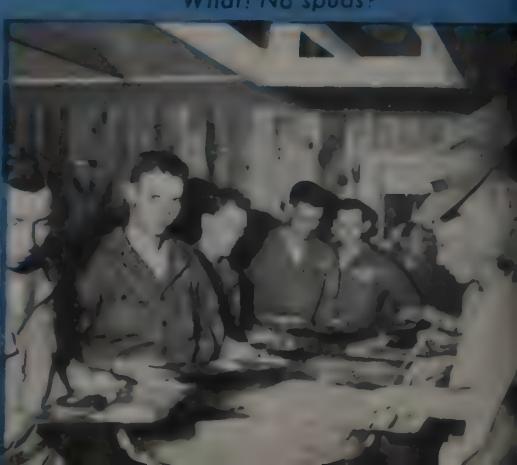
The pause —



Spic and span for motor stables —



Watch that left hook!



What! No spuds?



The finer points —



We can shave a fly's whiskers —



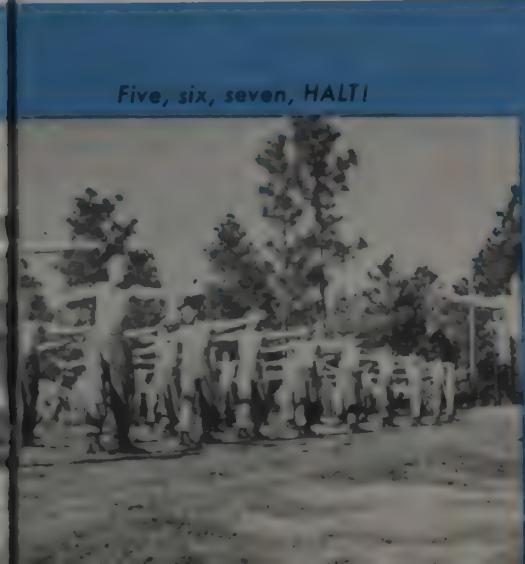
And it's good too —



Part of the gang



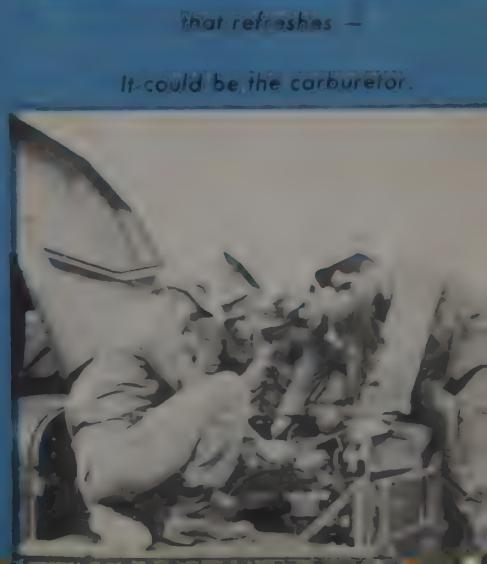
that refreshes —



Five, six, seven, HALT!



Just like mother used to bake.



It could be the carburetor.



Third boot off one millimeter —



Hold your breath 'n squeeeeze —



Tug o' war —



And one for the road —



The Mascot — easy Co.



For the pause that refreshes —



Now we try it blindfolded!



Starting position, MOVE! Ahhhhhhhh



Or else!

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The Briefing

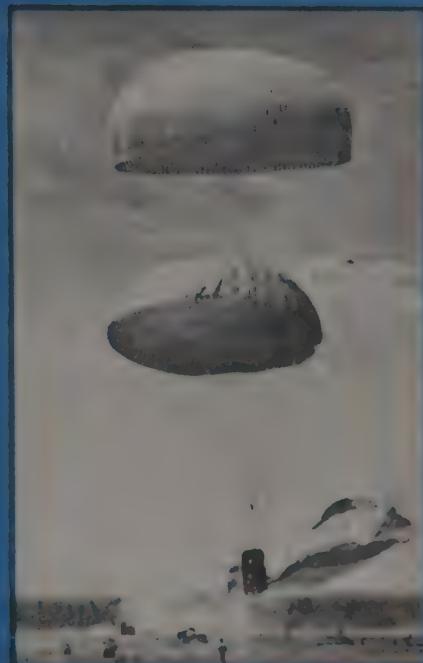


Checking

DIVISION
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CPX



Drawing chutes



The last of the drop



Buddy system

Try for Communications



Artillery Splices in



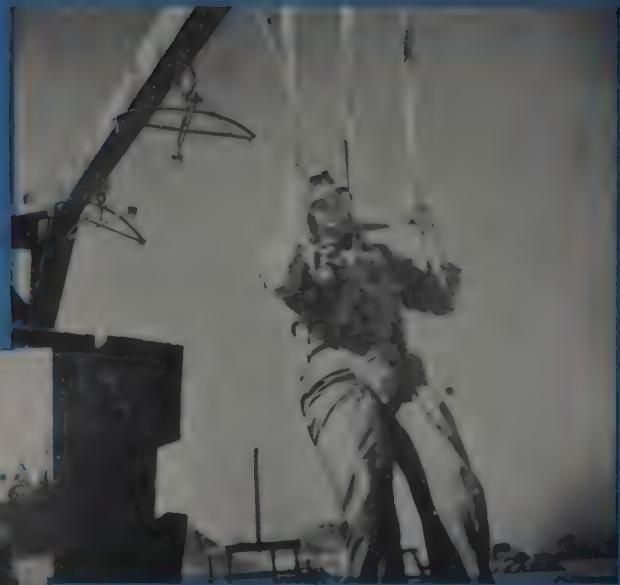
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Planning



... and from there to the judge . . . "Sorry, soldier, go back and try again . . . this time keep your legs together and COUNT!"



To the suspended harness station for your "Slipper's Certificate" . . .



to the sawdust pile . . .

REFRESHER TRAINING

Practice makes perfect . . . so Refresher Training meets the demand for safety. Prior to every actual jump, the paratrooper undergoes three consecutive hours of "brush up" to remind him of a few important facts which he may have forgotten. It's so easy to forget . . . when the pressure's on.



For a smooth cruise . . .

Whaow! There's the opening shock . . .





First you try a few dozen parachute landing falls to recall the feel of dirt . . .



And you try on your harness for size . . .



. . . Until . . .



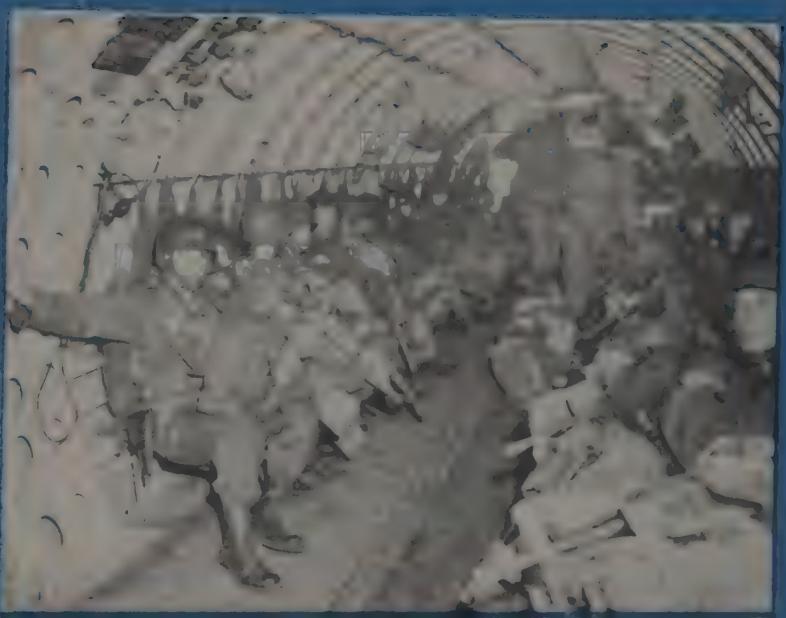
Down . . .

out you go

THE JUMP



"Jumpmasters"



Sweating it out —



Up and out!



At first



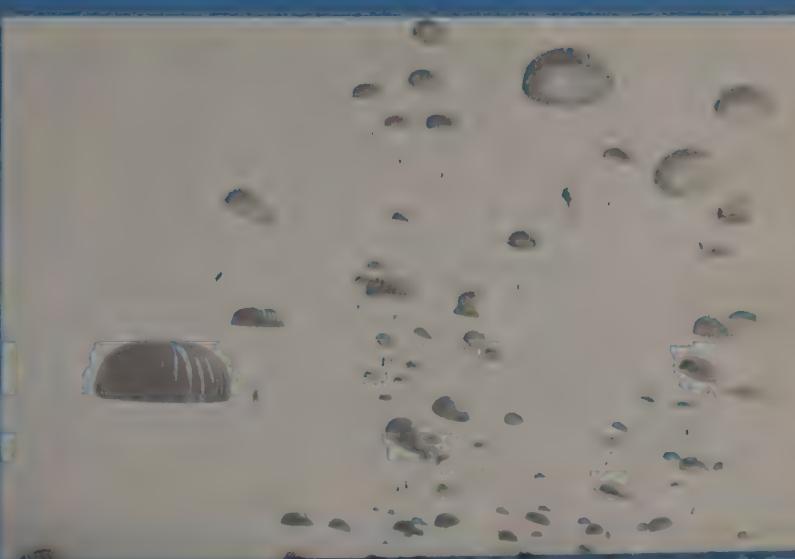
Later

Prepare to land —



Land!

The Medics were right there —
This man was a false alarm

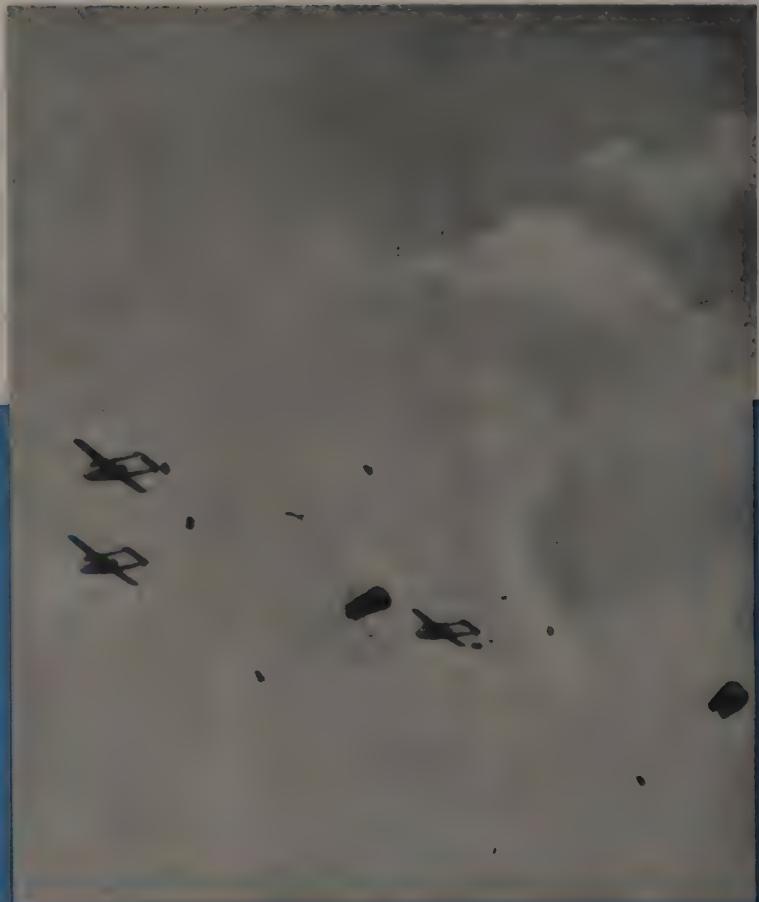




Loading a Jeep in a "Boxcar" for a heavy drop.



and down



One that didn't make it.

For a better year in '52 Falcons — Let's Go!

The End

